

## **Resolution on Aviation and the Environment**

**Recalling** the 66<sup>th</sup> IATA AGM Resolution on Climate Change setting out the three ambitious targets for addressing carbon emissions: 1.5% average annual fuel efficiency improvement between 2010 and 2020, Carbon neutral growth from 2020 and a reduction of 50% in net emissions by 2050 compared to 2005 levels; And

**Referring** to IATA 69<sup>th</sup> AGM resolution that strongly endorses the continuing efforts of its member airlines and States within ICAO to develop a comprehensive proposal towards a single, global MBM mechanism to address CO2 emissions from aviation under ICAO, as opposed to a patchwork of unilateral national and/or regional policy measures; And

**Referring** to ICAO 38<sup>th</sup> Assembly resolution on Aviation and Climate Change that Requests the Council, with the support of member States, to undertake work to develop a framework for market-based measures (MBMs) in international aviation, including further elaboration of the guiding principles listed in the Annex, for consideration by the 39th Session of the ICAO Assembly; And

**Referring** to AACO 42<sup>nd</sup> AGM resolution which adopted AACO Policy paper on Aviation and the Environment, where AACO members agree with IATA that the implementation of the industry three targets must be done in a way that recognizes the different levels of development of various airlines in the world and the unique situation of every airline in terms of its fleet replacement cycle so that no airline is unfairly penalized; And

**Reaffirming** that the issue of aviation and the environment must be dealt with through the provisions and principles of the ICAO resolution which identified the roadmap and guiding principles to reach a global system to tackle the environmental impact of air transport; And

**Reaffirming** the resolutions of AACO 42<sup>nd</sup>, 43<sup>rd</sup>, 44<sup>th</sup>, 45<sup>th</sup> and 46<sup>th</sup> AGMs, the 48<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting resolves the following:

Firstly, AACO 48<sup>th</sup> AGM stresses on the importance of adopting the following principles when governments of the world are addressing aviation's impact on the environment:

1. Any global MBM shouldn't hamper the growth of aviation
2. The global MBM should supersede any national approaches by a government or a region.
3. When the global MBM goes into effect, governments should withdraw all of taxes and levies introduced under the banner of the environment
4. The global MBM should recognizes the different levels of development of various airlines in the world and the unique situation of every airline in terms of its fleet replacement cycle so that no airline is unfairly penalized;  
And
5. The global MBM should address the Special Circumstances and respective Capabilities of the various States

Secondly, AACO 48<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting also calls upon the Arab Civil Aviation Commission to coordinate, constitute and advocate an Arab position that takes into account the interests of the Arab airlines and to hold coordination meetings in order to ensure that

Thirdly, AACO 48<sup>th</sup> AGM mandates the Secretary General and the Environmental Policy Group to work closely with the Arab Civil Aviation Commission and to continue following up this matter in coordination with IATA and other regional and international entities, and to report back to the Executive Committee regarding any developments for guidance.