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**FINAL RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED BY
THE 43rd ANNUAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY
MARRAKECH, KINGDOM OF MOROCCO, ON
20-22 NOVEMBER 2011**

**EXPRESSION OF APPRECIATION TO THE
GOVERNMENT OF THE KINGDOM OF MOROCCO
AND THE HOSTING AIRLINE**

RES AGA 43/1

Noting with great satisfaction the efforts expended in the preparation of this Assembly and the warm hospitality accorded to the delegates by the President of AFRAA and Chairman of the Board and CEO of Royal Air Maroc and the management and staff of Royal Air Maroc.

Grateful to Director General of Civil Aviation, Mr. Abdennebi for gracing our Annual General Assembly with his presence and addressing the Assembly despite his busy schedule;

Mindful of the wise counsel and guidance he has given us;

Resolve to:

- a) Express our deepest appreciation to the Director General of Civil Aviation, Mr. Abdenbi for his presence at our Annual General Assembly and for his wise guidance.
- b) Thank the Government and the people of the Kingdom of Morocco for the warm welcome accorded to the AFRAA Secretariat, delegates and participants of the Annual General Assembly.
- c) Express our appreciation and thanks to the host Royal Air Maroc, its Chief Executive Officer and President of AFRAA, Mr. Driss Benhima and the entire management staff of the airline for the excellent organization and preparation which made our 43rd Annual General Assembly a resounding success.

ENVIRONMENT AND AVIATION

RES AGA 43/2

Aware that effective January 2012 emissions resulting from virtually all flights to/from and within the EU will be included in the EU Emission Trading Scheme (EU-ETS) despite global opposition to the Scheme's application to non EU carriers;

Convinced the EU-ETS is contrary to principles of international law, the ICAO Assembly resolution and not accepted by the majority of States outside the EU;

Cognizant that the EU-ETS is one of the Agenda items of the African Union (AU) 2nd Conference of African Ministers of Transport to be held in Luanda, Republic of Angola, 21-24 November, 2011;

Resolve:

- **To re-affirm** our commitment to work with the international community to address the issue of aviation emissions
- **To reaffirm** the importance and leading role of ICAO in addressing aviation emissions;
- **Urge** the EU and its Member States to refrain from including flights by non-EU carriers to/from an airport in the territory of an EU Member State in its emissions trading system;
- **Urge** EU and its Member States to work collaboratively with the rest of the international community to address aviation emissions;
- **Call** once again upon African Governments to express their opposition to the application of EU-ETS to non-EU carriers and agree on common counter measures that they should take if the EU persists in imposing its Scheme;

THE EU LIST OF BANNED AIRLINES (Blacklist)

RES AGA 43/3

Noting with concern the number of African countries in the EU list of banned airlines have continued to increase with none so far taken out of the list despite action taken by the continent to improve safety oversight;

Concerned on the inclusion in the recent blanket list of banned airlines some members of AFRAA that are IOSA Certified and have very good safety records;

Convinced the EU banned airlines list is adversely affecting African airlines while providing undue competitive advantage to EU carriers while contributing very little to improve safety in the Continent

Recognizing Africa still faces serious challenges particularly in the area of States Safety Oversight Capacity;

Acknowledging several measures and efforts that are being taken to enhance safety oversight capacity of African Civil Aviation Authorities by regional and international organizations such as ICAO, AFCAC, AFRAA and IATA and some African Governments,

Resolves to,

Call upon African Governments, whose airlines are in the banned list, to take all necessary measures to enhance their safety oversight capacity and remove their country from the list;

Call upon the AU and AFCAC to engage the EU with the view to change its approach and to put in place a mutually acceptable approach to jointly address safety concerns.

Call on member airlines that may have adequate expertise and capacity to offer assistance to other member airlines that may require assistance to enhance their safety standard and meet IOSA certification requirement

Direct AFRAA Secretary General to intensify AFRAA's training in the area of safety and facilitate and coordinate support and assistance among member airlines in the area of Safety.

Aviation Skilled Manpower Shortage

RES AGA 43/4

Recognizing the great threat the African aviation industry is facing as a result of the flight of highly skilled and professional manpower and the need for urgent action,

Noting with concern that very little action if any has been taken so far by African governments and stakeholders to address the problem while on the other hand the manpower shortage has increasingly worsened,

Convinced of the urgent need to take concerted action by all stakeholders to address this threat

Resolves:

To once again call on African governments to put in place national policies that facilitate and encourage retention and facilitate free movement within Africa of professional manpower and facilitate the return of those in the diaspora

To call upon African governments, the AU, AFCAC and member airlines and other stakeholders to work together to implement the recommendations of the conference on Brain Drain in African aviation particularly:

1. The creation of one, single, comprehensive database comprising all aviation education and training centers and aviation professionals within Africa and in the diaspora,
2. The standardization, harmonization and rationalization of all aviation education and training and the designation of Regional Centers of excellence,
3. The intensification of cooperation by aviation training centers in Africa as well as partnerships and strategic joint ventures with aviation centers of excellence around the world,
4. Encourage public and private sector investment in aviation training.

SUPPORT TO THE WORK AND ACTIVITIES OF AFRAA

RES AGA 43/5

Noting the adoption of a new business plan focused on assisting member airlines reduce costs, enhance revenue and improve efficiency through joint projects and cooperation, capacity building, improved communication and government lobbying;

Noting the Secretariat has initiated and plans to initiate several projects such as joint fuel purchase, route coordination, African IOSA Agency among others, that are intended to achieve the objectives of the new plan;

Recognizing the need for strong and continued support and active participation including availing data and statistics to the Association by member airlines for the initiatives to succeed;

Acknowledging with appreciation the support so far given by AFRAA Partners to the Association;

Resolve to,

Reiterate our commitment to support and actively participate in the various initiatives and activities of the Association;

Undertake to provide data, information and statistics in a timely manner whenever so required;

Request AFRAA Partners to continue and enhance their active support to the Association.

Governance & Administrative Matters

**ELECTION OF MEMBERS OF
THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

RES AGA 43/6

Be it resolved that the following Chief Executives are hereby elected or reconfirmed to the Executive Committee for the terms herein specified:

**Replacing the members whose terms expire at the close of this 43rd AGA and to
Serve for three years until the close of the 46th AGA:**

<u>Region</u>		Member	
Northern Region	Mr. Ali Elobeid	Sudan Airways	Until Close of 46 th AGA
West & Central Region	Mr. Kinfe Kahssaye	Air Nigeria	Until Close of 44 th AGA
	Mr. Busera Awel	ASKY Airlines	Until close of 46 th AGA
Southern Region	Mr. Antonio L.P. Araujo	TAAG Angola Airlines	Until Close of 46 th AGA

For a term of one year until the close of the 44th AGA:

(Eastern Region)	Air Seychelles	Mr. Bram Steller
(West & Central Region)	Air Nigeria	Mr. Kinfe Kahssaye

For a term of two years until the close of the 45th AGA:

- ❖ Eastern Region - Mr. Tewolde Gebremariam, CEO Ethiopian Airlines
- ❖ Northern - Mr. Mohamed Thamri, CEO Tunisair
- ❖ Southern - Mr. Inati Ntshanga, CEO SA Express
- ❖ West & Central Region - Mr. Sergio Rosa, CEO Air Burkina

**Members of the Executive Committee in their capacity as members of the IATA
Board of Governors (BOG) up to their term of office in the BOG**

- Mr. Hussein Massoud - EgyptAir
- Dr. Titus Naikuni - Kenya Airways
- Mrs. Siza Mzimela - South African Airways

**ELECTION OF PRESIDENT OF THE
ASSOCIATION**

RES/AGA 43/7

Be it resolved that **Mr. Abderahmane Berthe**, Chief Executive of **Air Mali** be and hereby is elected President of the Association for the year 2012.

ELECTION OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

RES/AGA 43/8

Be it resolved that **Eng. Hussein Massoud** Chairman and Chief Executive of **EgyptAir**, be and hereby is elected Chairman of the Executive Committee for the year 2012.

**ELECTION OF 1st VICE CHAIRMAN
AND 2nd VICE CHAIRMAN**

RES AGA 43/9

Be it resolved that:

1. **Mr. Inati Ntshanga**, Chief Executive of **South African Express**, be and hereby is elected 1st Vice Chairman of the Executive Committee for the year 2011; and further resolved that,
2. **Mr. Sergio Rosa** Chief Executive of **Air Burkina**, be elected 2nd Vice Chairman for the year 2012.