

Airlines' statement to deepen supporting efforts to combat irregular migration in the Americas.

The International Air Transport Association (IATA), and its member airlines, committed to the mission of facilitating international air travel that unites families, promotes tourism, enables business, fosters economic development and social connectivity, recognize the challenges posed by irregular migration worldwide, including in the Americas, and the need for concerted action to address this complex issue.

Considering the sentiments expressed in the Los Angeles Declaration on Migration and Protection of June 10, 2022, signed by 21 states of the region during the 9th Summit of the Americas, and the resolution of IATA members to prevent our networks from being abused by irregular migratory traffic, the industry commits to strengthen collaboration with governments and international organizations to address the challenges posed by irregular migration, such as information sharing, capacity building, and technical assistance initiatives.

We call upon states in the region to implement public policies and migratory requirements aimed at disincentivizing irregular migration to the targeted countries of destination. The industry will continue to strictly comply with all implemented regulations and requirements that contribute to mitigating and controlling irregular migration.

Within the legal limitations, airlines could implement commercial measures to minimize the risk of irregular migration. IATA can review and take proper actions in relation to travel agents in accordance with Travel Agency Handbook Resolution 812.

