



## **RESOLUTION AGAINST TRAFFICKING IN PERSONS**

RECOGNIZING that trafficking in persons is a grave crime and a form of modern day slavery involving the recruitment, transportation and harboring of a person and the exercise of control, direction or influence over their movement for the purpose of exploitation;

EXPRESSING CONCERN that transnational criminal groups and individuals are exploiting the interconnected air transport system to facilitate trafficking in persons;

ACKNOWLEDGING that, while the responsibility to detect, apprehend and prosecute offenders rests with government authorities, airlines can play a role in combatting trafficking in persons by raising the awareness of staff and training on how to report concerns to the appropriate authorities;

EMPHASIZING that all stakeholders in the air transport system should work collaboratively with government authorities and civil society to prevent and suppress trafficking in persons;

The 74<sup>th</sup> IATA Annual General Meeting:

1. denounces trafficking in persons;
2. encourages member airlines to train relevant operational staff with the objective of enabling them to recognize potential trafficking situations and deal with these in accordance with company policy and, where appropriate, report these to government authorities;
3. calls on government authorities to establish clear, practical and discreet mechanisms for the reporting of potential trafficking in persons activity in the air transport system;
4. calls on airport operators, ground handling agents and other air transport system stakeholders to work collaboratively with government authorities and civil society on initiatives for the prevention and suppression of trafficking in persons, including with respect to reporting and awareness-raising programs.