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**HONG KONG STATEMENT**

**Continuous Improvement in Aviation Safety**

1. Recognizing that safety is critical to the sustainable development of aviation, we share a common goal of achieving continuous safety improvements in a collaborative and harmonized manner. We reaffirm our full support of the Global Aviation Safety Plan (GASP) and pledge our commitments in the implementation of safety management systems to proactively manage aviation safety risks and improve safety performance in accordance with Annex 19 to the Convention on International Civil Aviation.

**Enhancing Air Navigation Capacity and Efficiency**

2. Recognizing the need to increase capacity and improve efficiency of the civil aviation system, we reaffirm our full support on the need to work with ICAO in developing new procedures to optimize aviation system performance.

**Further Enhancing Aviation Security**

3. Recognizing the importance of enhancing aviation security and facilitation in order to meet the continued traffic growth in the region and to counter security threats against civil aviation, we reaffirm the need to collaborate globally and to work closely with ICAO in developing harmonized international standards on both passenger and air cargo security.

**Sustainable Supply of Aviation Professionals**

4. Recognizing the importance of maintaining a continuous supply of qualified aviation professionals in support of sustainable development of civil aviation, we reaffirm our full support for ICAO's on-going training initiatives, agree to collaborate closely to reach out to the next generation of aviation professionals (NGAP), and develop strategies for the recruitment, education, training and retention of NGAP.

**Protecting the Environment**

5. Recognizing that minimizing the adverse effect of aviation activities on the environment is a major challenge for a sustainable growth of the industry, we consider that the issue shall be dealt with through our collective efforts encompassing all possible measures including technological, operational and market-based solutions, and we pledge our continuous support to ICAO in taking a leadership role in formulating widely accepted global measures for the good cause of protecting the environment.