

Asia/Pacific Airport Coordinators Association (APACA)

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**Minutes of 26th Meeting of APACA
14 November (Tuesday), 2023
Al Ain J-K meeting room at C1 Floor
Dubai World Trade Center (DWTC)
Dubai, United Arab Emirates**

1. Administration

The twenty-sixth general assembly meeting of APACA was held at Al Ain J-K meeting room at C1 Floor of Dubai World Trade Center from 17:00 to 18:00 on 14 November (Tuesday) 2023 at the occasion of IATA 153rd Slot Conference, in Dubai, United Arab Emirates. The Chair person, Petra Popovac (ACA - Airport Coordination Australia) welcomed the participants and thanked them for attending the twenty-sixth meeting of APACA under the Worldwide Airport Coordinators Group (WWACG).



The meeting was progressed according to the agenda items shown in Appendix 1. The number of participants was 31, representing 12 economies and 15 organizations. The list of participants is shown on the last page.

2. Agenda Item 1: Approval of the Minutes of 25th meeting held on 13 June 2023

The Draft Minutes of the 25th General Assembly meeting of APACA, which was held on 13 June 2023, Appendix 2, was approved without amendment.

3. Agenda Item 2: WWACG Updates

The Chair briefly provided an update of WWACG. The process of establishing the new organization of WWACG in Geneva should be finalized next year. The development of new website along with EUACA is in progress and will be completed next year. New logos for WWACG and EUACA are currently under consideration. Voluntary contributions by the members in establishing the website would be highly appreciated.

She also asked the members to input their distribution date of SHL/SAL in the WWACG website. Those data are very useful for airlines as well as coordinators.

4. Agenda Item 3: WWACG/WASB Activities

The Chair explained very briefly about the recent WASB activities.

(1) Role of airports in the slot conference

Paper regarding the role of airports at the coordinator – airline meeting is drafted and now is reviewed by WWACG Board members. This issue is related to the

independence of coordinators and is very important. The Chair asked the participants to review the paper, which will be circulated later, and to send back their comments. The response from WWACG members will be back for further discussion in WASB.

(2) The application of the new NE rule

The Chair asked the participants whether the new NE rule is applied. Coordinators from Hong Kong and Singapore responded that the new rule is already applied in their organizations. The new rule is not applied at Sydney and airports in Europe due to local regulations. In Japan the new rule is not applied as applying the primary criteria of WSG edition 10 will have negative impacts on NE access to very congested airports and the old NE rule is still applied.

(3) SRD Trail

The Chair reminded participants that the SRD is one month ahead in S24 and W24 in SRD Trial. The SRD of S24 is December 15th. WWACG will review the effects of the trial, analyzing the series of slots which are not returned before the SRD and the impacts on the wait lists at each coordinator.

(4) JNUS for P&W engines problem

The Chair explained the current situation of P&W engines issue and that IATA is requesting coordinators to consider the P&W engines problem as the matter of JNUS and apply JNUS on case-by-case as the impact is different from airlines to airlines. Then the participants exchanged their views. Australia, Hong Kong and Singapore have already received JNUS requests from airlines and have already admitted JNUS on case-by case. Some coordinators from India said that applying JNUS only to the engines problem is not justified as there are cancellations due to other problems like delay of aircraft deliveries. The Chair said it may depend on the timing of notice.

(5) ASWG7: Series Length

The Chair explained the discussion on minimum series length in the ASWG7. The simulation results on the effects of changing the minimum series lengths in initial allocation with series lengths 5 and 10 was presented at the WG, and the airlines and airports are being asked to comment. Airports are in favor to increase series length from 5 to 10 because it decreases fragmentation, increases utilization, and increases revenue. The WG will discuss whether they should make proposal of recommending increase of the series length based of these feed backs.

5. Agenda Item 5: Any Other Business

The participants shared their experiences and information of the slot alleviations, new airports, new runways, etc. in each country/economy.

At the closing of the meeting, the Chair expressed her appreciation for attending this meeting, and reminded the Asian Tea Gathering hosted by ACA at the lunch time on Thursday.

The list of participants of APACA/26

No	Economy	No	Member Organization
1	Australia	1	Airport Coordination Australia (ACA)
2	Cambodia	2	State Secretariat of Civil Aviation Cambodia
3	China	3	Air Traffic Management of CAAC (China)
4	Taipei	4	Airport Coordination Taipei
5	Hong Kong	5	HKG Schedule Coordination
6	India	6	Bangalore International Airport Ltd. (BLR)
		7	Mumbai International Airport Ltd. (BOM)
		8	Delhi International Airport PVT Ltd. (DEL)
		9	GMR Hyderabad International Airport Ltd (HYD)
7	Japan	10	Japan Schedule Coordination (JSC)
8	Korea	11	Korea Schedule Coordination (KSC)
9	Malaysia	12	National Slot Coordination Malaysia (NSCM)
10	Singapore	13	Changi Slot Coordination (CSC)
11	Thailand	14	Civil Aviation Authority of Thailand (CAAT)
12	Viet Nam	15	Civil Aviation Authority of Viet Nam (CAAV)