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**RESPECTING HUMAN RIGHTS AND DIGNITY AND AVOIDING  
UNNECESSARY COSTS WHEN APPLYING SECURITY POLICY**

(Presented by Iran (Islamic Republic of))

**EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

This paper highlights respecting human rights and dignity, and the avoidance of imposing unnecessary costs when security policy is applied.

<i>Strategic Objectives:</i>	This working paper relates to Strategic Objective B – Security, <i>Enhance global civil aviation security</i>
<i>Financial implications:</i>	No financial implications
<i>References:</i>	No references

## 1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 Whereas international civil aviation can greatly help the creation and preservation of friendship and understanding among the nations and peoples of the world, yet its abuse can become a threat to the general security.

1.2 Whereas the Council will present a report on aviation security developments, in particular a proposal for adoption of a new comprehensive aviation security strategy encompassing future regular programme activities in the areas of security policy, audits and assistance to States, which, in terms of policy, this intention is to focus intently on developing measures and deploying technology that address existing and potential threats.

1.3 Whereas the Council will also present proposals for updating the *Consolidated statement on the continuing ICAO policies related to the safeguarding of international civil aviation against acts of unlawful interference*, last defined by Assembly Resolution A36-20.

1.4 Whereas Assembly Resolution A33-1, *Declaration on misuse of civil aircraft as weapons of destruction and other terrorist acts involving civil aviation*, adopted in October 2001, directed the Council and the Secretary General to act urgently to address the new and emerging threats to civil aviation, in particular to review the adequacy of the existing aviation security conventions.

1.5 Whereas a *Study on Legal Measures to Cover the New and Emerging Threats to Civil Aviation*, completed by the Secretariat, was distributed during the 35th Session of the Assembly as the Appendix to A35-WP/88.

1.6 Conscious of the fact that only a universal participation in these Protocols of Amendment and other instruments would secure and enhance the benefits of unification of the international rules which they embody.

## 2. DISCUSSION

2.1 Promoting and developing technology that addresses existing and potential threats is necessary. However, these developments should not jeopardize or harm the dignity and rights of passengers. Therefore, it is necessary that any action for developing technology should come along with respecting human dignity and rights. On the other hand, unnecessary financial burdens on the air transport industry would deprive developing countries from appropriate development of their air transport.

## 3. CONCLUSION

3.1 The Islamic Republic of Iran proposes that in its security policy ICAO should first respect the dignity and rights of humans in developing measures and deploying technology that addresses existing and potential threats, and second, ICAO should avoid imposing unnecessary costs on developing countries for developing such measures and deploying them.