

**WORLDWIDE AIR TRANSPORT CONFERENCE: CHALLENGES AND
OPPORTUNITIES OF LIBERALIZATION**

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**Agenda Item 4: Consideration of global framework for ongoing liberalization
4.1: Mechanisms to facilitate further liberalization**

**PAKISTAN'S VIEWS ON DECLARATION OF GLOBAL PRINCIPLES
FOR INTERNATIONAL AIR TRANSPORT**

(Presented by Pakistan)

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1. Considering that States by and large not being at the same level of development, with diverse and unequal opportunities available at their disposal, would not support the multilateral concept of conducting airline operations.
2. Having recognized that the bilateral and multilateral regimes of conducting air traffic services can coexist, we may format such provisions in our regulations to ensure that both these regimes are practised in parallel drawing strength from each other making it possible in the future to move into the multilateral framework of airline operations.
3. Giving due consideration to the fact that States by and large have acquired a certain level of development, over a period of time and are not placed disproportionately, they may phase gradually into the multilateral framework of airline operations.
4. States are also to, in order that the multilateral framework functions, or in a case where bilateral framework coexists with the multilateral framework of air transport, make a conscientious effort to facilitate air travel so that optimum benefits are accrued to all States. In this regard air travel is to be facilitated without discrimination. All states are to be given equal opportunity.
5. Having promoted air travel, States are also to globally ensure that they work together in ensuring that measures are adopted worldwide for the safety and security of passengers and that appropriate environmental measures for air transport are adopted that are not discriminatory taking into account the impact this would have on air carriers of all States.

6. States would continue to endeavour in supporting the continuing role of International Civil Aviation Organization in promoting the objective of International Civil Aviation for the benefit of the Civil Society.

7. In furthering the promotion of air travel, States are also to globally ensure that safe multimodal carriage is promoted.

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