DECLARATION OF INTENT AND COMMITMENT FOR TECHNICAL COLLABORATION ON AIRCRAFT CABIN AIR QUALITY

Lisbon, Portugal, May 25, 2026

To the public opinion, the international aeronautical community, regulatory authorities, the civil aviation industry, and aviation professionals,

The organizations:

National Union of Aeronauts - SNA
Civil Aviation Pilots' Union – SPAC
Civil Aviation Flight Personnel's National Union - SNPVAC
Association of Victims of Aerotoxic Syndrome – AVSA

hereinafter referred to as "the signatory organizations",

DECLARE:

That aircraft cabin air quality is a matter of significant relevance to operational safety, the occupational health of crew members, and the protection of passengers, and must be addressed with technical responsibility, scientific transparency, and institutional cooperation.

That events involving possible contamination of aircraft cabin air, including occurrences associated with odors, smoke, fumes, aerosols, or other indications of alteration in the quality of breathable air on board, require proper investigation, systematic reporting, technical analysis, and the development of effective prevention, identification, and mitigation tools.

That the technical and medical complexity of this matter recommends cooperation among organizations representing aviation workers, organizations experienced in supporting victims, and specialists in health, operational safety, aerospace medicine, toxicology, aeronautical engineering, and related fields.

That the exchange of technical knowledge, the promotion of studies, the performance of appropriate laboratory tests, the sharing of experiences, and engagement with industry, authorities, and other stakeholders are necessary measures to advance the understanding, prevention, and response to aircraft cabin air contamination events.

And as such, the signatory organizations hereby,



AGREE:

• To establish a permanent channel of technical cooperation among the signatory organizations, aimed at the exchange of information, experiences, studies, scientific references, and best practices related to aircraft cabin air quality.

• To promote the exchange of technical and scientific knowledge on aircraft cabin air contamination events, including operational, medical, laboratory, toxicological, regulatory, and preventive aspects.

• To seek cooperation for the performance, guidance, or referral of laboratory tests, whenever technically indicated and legally possible, with the objective of contributing to the identification of exposures, the assessment of potential health impacts, and the strengthening of the technical documentation of reported cases.

• To encourage the creation of protocols for reporting, monitoring, and analyzing occurrences, in order to support standardized data collection, preservation of evidence, and proper handling of reports from crew members and other potentially affected people.

• To join efforts to raise awareness among regulatory authorities, air operators, manufacturers, international organizations, and other industry stakeholders regarding the need to develop, improve, and implement tools for the prevention, detection, monitoring, and identification of aircraft cabin air contamination events.

• To advocate for the adoption of preventive and mitigation measures, including the improvement of operational, maintenance, reporting, investigation, and medical response procedures, always guided by the protection of health, operational safety, and trust in the aviation system.

• To encourage the holding of technical meetings, seminars, working groups, or joint initiatives, whether in person or virtual, for the further development of the subject and the definition of coordinated actions among the signatory organizations.

• To preserve the institutional autonomy of each organization, recognizing that this declaration does not create automatic financial obligations, a legal relationship of reciprocal representation, or any limitation on the independent action of any of the parties. As such, no signatory organization can issue public positions, communications, technical opinions, requests to authorities or statements to the media, on behalf of the other signatory organizations, without express and written approval. Likewise, any expense, contracting, study, test, travel, seminar, external opinion or joint initiative requires prior, express and individual approval from each organization that supports it, meaning that the name, logo or institutional image of any of the signatory organizations cannot be used by the others in campaigns, reports, conferences, electronic pages, social networks or promotional materials without prior authorization.

• To ensure that any sharing of personal data, especially health data relating to laboratory tests and associated clinical information, is carried out in compliance with the applicable data protection framework, based on an appropriate legal basis, will be anonymized, subject to explicit consent when applicable, and will respect data protection, confidentiality, operational security and mandatory reporting regimes in the jurisdictions of the signatory organizations, while complying with the adoption of proportionate security measures.

• To guarantee that the approval of any studies, protocols, reports, communications or recommendations that might be jointly produced requires prior consent from the signatory organizations, and that each one may individually refuse association with any final document, ensuring that each organization shall be exclusively responsible for the acts it performs within the scope of its own activities and shall not be liable for the actions or omissions of the other signatory organizations.

FINAL PROVISIONS

This declaration constitutes a formal manifestation of intent and commitment among the signatory organizations, with the objective of strengthening technical, scientific, and institutional cooperation on aircraft cabin air quality.

This declaration does not constitute a contract, nor does it create legally binding obligations between the signatory organizations, representing solely a commitment of a political, technical, and institutional nature, without creating any legal or commercial partnership, de facto association, mandate, representation, or joint liability among the parties.

This declaration may be drafted in more than one language version. In the event of a difference in interpretation between different language versions, the English version shall prevail.

Each signatory organization will, for the purposes of the processing of personal data carried out under this Declaration, act as an independent controller, independently determining the purposes and means of the processing of personal data carried out, in accordance with Regulation (EU) 2016/679 (GDPR) and other applicable legislation on data protection.

The signatory organizations shall only process personal data that is strictly necessary for the purposes of this Declaration, ensuring its lawfulness, transparency, security and minimization, as well as respect for the rights of data subjects.

Any transfer of personal data between entities established in the European Union and SNA, as an entity established in Brazil (a country that, on the date of signature of this Declaration, does not benefit from an adequacy decision by the European Commission), will be carried out based on Standard Contractual Clauses adopted by the European Commission or on another appropriate safeguard provided for in the GDPR that ensures a level of protection essentially equivalent to that guaranteed in the European Economic Area.

The signatory organizations shall cooperate in good faith to enter into, whenever necessary, the additional contractual instruments that may be required to document the safeguards referred to in the preceding paragraph and to ensure compliance with legal obligations regarding the protection of personal data.

Each signatory organization undertakes to maintain strict confidentiality and not disclose to any third parties, nor use for purposes other than the execution of this Declaration, any non-public information obtained from the other signatory organizations or other adhering entities within the scope of its execution, including, in particular, studies, technical and toxicological analyses, as well as materials and documentation relating to specific cases.

The confidentiality obligations provided for in the above paragraph do not apply to information that the receiving organization sufficiently demonstrates:

a) Is already in the public domain or will become public without violation of this Declaration;
b) Has been legitimately obtained from a third party that is not bound by confidentiality duties in relation to such information;
c) Is already in possession of the receiving organization, without confidentiality restrictions, before its disclosure by the other signatory organization; or
d) Must be disclosed in compliance with a legal obligation, court decision or order of a competent administrative authority, in which case the receiving Party, whenever legally possible, will notify the other Party in advance of this disclosure obligation.

Any signatory organization may, at any time, withdraw from this declaration by means of written notice addressed to the other organizations, without the need to state any grounds and without prejudice to the validity, continuity, or execution of initiatives already approved and independently undertaken by each organization.

Any controversy arising from the interpretation, validity, execution or termination of this Declaration shall, in a first phase, be subject to an attempt at amicable resolution between the signatory organizations, who undertake to make their best efforts, in good faith, to reach a consensual solution, for a minimum period of 30 (thirty) days after receiving written notification from the signatory organization(s) raising the dispute. If it is not possible to reach an amicable solution under the terms of the preceding paragraph, the judicial courts of the district of Lisbon shall have exclusive jurisdiction to settle any disputes arising from this Protocol, with express waiver of any other jurisdiction.

The organizations reaffirm their commitment to operational safety, the health of crew members and passengers, the prevention of occupational risks, and the construction of a more transparent, safe, and responsible aviation industry.

Signed in Lisbon, Portugal, this 30th day of June, 2026.

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