



February 14, 2017
9:00 – 12:00 p.m.
601 South 12th Street
Arlington, VA

Meeting Minutes

Summary

This meeting provided status reports from the Airport Access Control Working Group and the following subcommittees: General Aviation, Commercial Airports, International Aviation, Security Technology, and Air Cargo. The agenda for this meeting is provided as Attachment A.

Meeting Comes to Order

Dean Walter, the ASAC Designated Federal Officer (DFO), called the meeting to order. This meeting was closed to the public and only ASAC members and Federal officials were allowed to participate.

Opening Remarks

Victoria Newhouse, the TSA Executive Sponsor, and Steve Alterman, ASAC Chairman, each made brief opening remarks and welcomed members.

Ms. Newhouse introduced Alan Paterno as the new Airport Engagement representative. Additional discussion items included:

- Daniel Fisherman resignation as Aeronautical Repair Station representative.
- TSA is affected by the Federal hiring freeze. The agency is in the process of requesting exemptions for certain positions, such as Transportation Security Officers.
- There are rulemaking restrictions stemming from a recent Executive Order reducing regulations and costs. TSA is evaluating whether the restrictions apply to security programs.
- TSA is operating under a continuing budget resolution.

Mr. Alterman stated that on February 16 he will testify at a hearing on "[Stakeholder Perspectives on Improving TSA for the Security of the Traveling Public](#)," held by the U.S. Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, & Transportation, Subcommittee on Aviation Operations.

Roll Call

Attachment B provides a complete list of meeting attendees.

Subcommittee & Working Group Updates

The co-chairpersons for each subcommittee and working group provided an update, covering initiatives to date and focus areas going forward.

- **Airport Access Control Working Group**



A general overview of the Advanced Threat and Local Allocation Strategy (ATLAS) initiative was provided. This model was developed in response to Airport Employee Screening Risk Model recommendation. ATLAS is designed to assist airports with assignment of resources to randomly screen and inspection employees in the secure areas of an airport. A pilot is in process at the Nashville International Airport and TSA is looking at deployment to other airports for the next phase.

- **International Aviation Subcommittee Update**

The subcommittee updated the committee on recent international activities, including United Nations Resolution 2309, which calls for closer collaboration of member nations to prevent terrorist attacks and ensure the safety of global air services. ICAO is also developing the Global Aviation Security Plan, which will be presented for approval at the May 2017 ICAO meeting. The subcommittee encouraged the individuals to review the draft plan and provide comments, as appropriate. The issue of GPS spoofing was also discussed, based on a [University of Texas study](#). The committee agreed that initial discussions on the issue should be between TSA and the Federal Aviation Administration.

- **General Aviation (GA) Subcommittee Update**

The subcommittee discussed its progress on the review of the Twelve-Five Standard Security Program and the Private Charter Standard Security Program. These programs are undergoing a detailed review and possible recommendations are being developed to update the programs. The timeline for proposed recommendations is the September 2017 meeting. Also, the subcommittee is scheduled to meet on March 28, 2017, to discuss implementation of the Alien Flight School Program recommendations.

- **Commercial Airports Subcommittee Update**

The subcommittee provided an update on efforts to develop best practices for checkpoint security operations optimization, as required by the *FAA Extension, Safety, and Security Act, Sec. 3304(a)(4) - TSA Staffing and Resource Allocation*. The Subcommittee awaits receipt of a Report on TSA Innovation Task Force Aviation Security Operations Modeling, to support its analysis.

- **Security Technology Subcommittee Update**

The subcommittee continues to work on the Checkpoint of the Future Report, required by the *FAA Extension, Safety, and Security Act, Sec. 3501 (a)-(c)*. The most recent subcommittee meeting included a panel discussion involving subject matter experts from industry and the Federal government. A draft of the report is being developed and the subcommittee plans to have it ready for consideration by the full committee in May, for final transmission by TSA to Congress by the July 15, 2017, the due date. Subcommittee members also met with DHS Air Cargo Integrated Product Team to get a briefing on capability gaps and allow industry stakeholders to provide input on their needs and priorities relating to air cargo screening technology.



- **Air Cargo Subcommittee Update**

The subcommittee met in January 2017 and discussed the following topics:

- Third party canines for primary screening. TSA is developing a Request For Information and is hosting an Industry Day to demonstrate capabilities on February 22, 2017.
- Known shipper program changes.
- Enforcement program changes to shift the paradigm toward a forum to discuss compliance issues with operators with a goal of issue resolution, before enforcement actions.
- Electronic Consignment Security Declaration (eCSD) paperless initiative; and
- Air Cargo Advanced Screening (ACAS) progress.

Administrative Discussion

The Chairman proposed May 23 for the next meeting, which will be held at TSA HQ.

Public Area Security

Mr. Alterman provided a summary of the Public Area Security Summit meetings, which discuss security issues related to the protection of the public areas of airports—those areas outside TSA’s checkpoints. The summits look to leverage private-public partnerships to develop a national framework on how to best provide public area security.

Acting Deputy Administrator

Gary Rasicot briefly attended that meeting, thanked the participants and answered questions on several topics, including canine use and 2017 summer airport activities.

Adjournment

The Chairman asked for any last comments, and with none received adjourned the meeting at approximately 12:00 p.m.


Summary of Action Items:

- Distribute Alterman witness testimony at U.S. Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation hearing on February 16, 2017. *(Walter)*
- Provide status of most recent proposed recommendation by Screening Working Group. *(Walter)*
- Provide a U.S. House Homeland Security Report/ bill. *(Walter)*
- Provide draft of the Global Aviation Security Plan, with comments to be provided to ICAO. *(Walter)*
- Distribute Mackenzie Consulting report on TSA operations modelling to the Commercial Airports Subcommittee. *(Walter)*



Certification of Detailed Minutes

I hereby certify that this is an accurate record of the activities of the Aviation Security Advisory Committee on February 14, 2017.



Stephen A. Alterman
Chairman



Attachment A: Meeting Agenda

- Meeting Opening & Call to Order
- Executive Sponsor Opening Remarks
- Chairman's Opening Remarks
- Roll Call & Member Remarks
- Subcommittee & Working Group Updates:
 1. Airport Access Control
 2. International Aviation
 3. General Aviation
 4. Commercial Airports
 5. Security Technology
 6. Air Cargo
- Administrative discussion
- Public Area Security Briefing
- Closing comments and adjournment



Attachment B: Meeting Attendees

Name	Organization	Status
Steve Alterman	Cargo Airline Association	Member- Chairman
Chris Bidwell	Airports Council International – North America	Member
Alan Black	Dallas Fort Worth International Airport	Member
Scott Broyles	Safe Skies	Member
Colleen Chamberlain	American Association of Airport Executives	Member
Liam Connolly	RAA	Member
Joe DePete	ALPA	Member
Bob Francis	Farragut Partners	Member
Brandon Fried	Air Forwarders Association	Member
Julian M. Gustafson	NADA	Member
Lane Hagin	ALEAN	Member
Jens Hennig	General Aviation Manufacturers Association	Member
Lorraine Howerton	USTRavel	Member
Glenn Johnson	VPAF103	Member
John McGraw	NATA	Member
Sue Presti	The International Air Cargo Association	Member
TJ Schulz	Airport Consultants Council	Member
Craig Spence	Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association	Member
Eric Thacker	Airlines For America	Member
Chris Witkowski	AFA-CWA	Member
Vera Adams	DHS/TSA	Federal
Keith Goll	DHS/TSA	Federal
Libby John	DHS/TSA	Federal
Craig Lynes	DHS/TSA	Federal



Attachment B: Meeting Attendees, *Cont'd*

Name	Organization	Status
Dan McCann	DHS/TSA	Federal
Elizabeth Neal	DHS/TSA	Federal
Victoria Newhouse	DHS/TSA	Federal- Executive Sponsor
JC Nolan	DHS/TSA	Federal
Alan Paterno	DHS/TSA	Federal
Gary Rasicot	DHS/TSA	Federal
Marc Rossi	DHS/TSA	Federal
Susan Prosnitz	DHS/TSA	Federal
Dean Walter	DHS/TSA	DFO