



**May 10, 2016
1:00 – 4:00 p.m.
601 South 12th Street
Arlington, VA 22202**

Meeting Minutes

Summary

This meeting provided a briefing on TSA's draft operational strategy, update on the implementation status of recommendations received this term, and a proposed recommendation on revisions to 49 C.F.R. § 1552 - Flight Training for Aliens and Other Designated Individuals. In addition, status updates from Airport Access Control Working Group, Security Technology, International Aviation, Air Cargo, General Aviation, and Airports subcommittees were presented. The agenda for this meeting is provided as Attachment A.

Meeting Comes to Order, Closed Session

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

Opening Remarks

TSA Executive Sponsor, Victoria Newhouse introduced new personnel in TSA leadership: Dr. Huban Gowadia, TSA Deputy Administrator; Gary Rasicot, Chief of Operations; and Vera Adams, OSPIE's Director of Aviation. Two key milestones were shared: (1) duress alarms installation at all airport checkpoints is complete, and (2) the 90-day pilot program of the FBI's Rap Back vetting service for aviation workers as started on May 10. ASAC Chairman, Steve Alterman; and ASAC Vice-Chairman, Ken Dunlap, each made brief opening remarks and welcomed members.

Roll Call and Member Remarks

A roll call was taken during the committee member introductions. Members were given an opportunity for remarks, but no substantive comments were made. Attachment B provides a complete list of meeting attendees.

TSA's Operational Strategy 2016-2023

Marianne Roth provided an overview of TSA's Strategy for years 2016 to 2023. This is a foundational document that will help TSA realize its desired future state by defining the Agency's vision over the next seven years and the actions that it must take in order to realize this state. It is anticipated that the final version of the document will be issued by June and will be widely disseminated. Topics shared included: TSA Vision, Evolving Transportation Security Environment, Systems Approach to Risk-Based Security, Strategic Objectives, and how the Agency will use the Strategy.



Review of Recommendation Status

Dean Walter provided a brief update on the status of recommendations. ASAC has produced 40 recommendations this term, of which 15 are considered closed, 16 on track for implementation, 8 either at-risk or behind schedule, and 1 pending a formal agency response. There was discussion regarding how to proceed when ASAC does not agree that a recommendation is “complete” or considered “implemented,” with no clear evidence to confirm the status. Dean Walter stated that issues involving implementation status should be addressed in the appropriate subcommittee or working group, since the full Committee meeting did not have the technical experts in attendance to fully discuss the issues. Other Committee members felt it was necessary to discuss these issues at the full Committee meetings for the clarification of all members. Steve Alterman asked each subcommittee and working group to review their recommendations’ implementation status and provide a response to each one where they disagree with TSA’s position.

Subcommittee Updates

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

Airport Access Control Working Group

Ken Dunlap presented the working group’s report on TSA’s progress in implementing the 28 Report Recommendations. The working group feels that the status of nine recommendations is inaccurate. The working group will reconvene by the end of May by teleconference to discuss the implementation status.

Security Technology Subcommittee Updates

TJ Schulz reported that the subcommittee met twice since the February. Meetings included briefings from the Office of Security Capabilities, the Innovation Task Force, the Transportation Security Capability Analysis Process, and others. Also, the ASAC Air Cargo Research and Development (R&D) working group is currently positioned under the Security Technology subcommittee. The subcommittee will continue to look at security gaps (e.g., checkpoints, air cargo, system architecture) and how they can be addressed through R&D.

International Aviation Subcommittee Updates

Joe DePete reported that the subcommittee held several meetings to review and modify the charter to ensure that objectives were being met. New members and subject matter experts were also added. A committee member suggested that subcommittee members consider involvement in the International Civil Aviation Organization meetings.

Air Cargo Subcommittee Updates

Sue Presti and Marc Rossi shared three focus areas of the subcommittee:

1. Air Cargo Advance Screening Program
 - TSA is developing a testing schedule
 - Customs and Border Protection is developing a proposed rule-making on the program
2. Known Shipper program
 - ASAC approved a recommendation regarding the program



- At the next subcommittee meeting, the group will perform a deeper dive into the program's purpose and review alternative approaches
- 3. Possible expanded use of canines for screening air cargo (trained by third parties and certified by TSA)
 - In the most recent meeting, industry and TSA participants discussed the topic. The subcommittee will schedule a follow up meeting on the issue.

Commercial Airports Subcommittee Updates

Alan Black stated there is nothing to report at this time. Many of the members involved in this group are participating on the Airport Access Control Working Group.

General Aviation (GA) Subcommittee Updates

Jens Hennig presented a report on the Alien Flight School Regulation (49 CFR 1552) prepared by the GA Subcommittee. The report contained the history and background to support the five changes to update regulation and policy regarding non-US citizen flight training vetting. The committee recommended that the subcommittee develop an executive summary, including a brief problem statement for each of the recommendations. With these changes, the report may be redistributed to the committee for consideration.

Administrative Discussion

Mr. Alterman announced that the next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, September 8, 2016, from 1:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. The Agenda for this meeting is in-process. The Annual meeting is tentatively scheduled for Monday, December 5, 2016, from 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Adjournment

Mr. Alterman asked for any last comments, and with none received adjourned the meeting at approximately 4:00 p.m.

Summary of Action Items:

- Send *The Administrator's Intent 2016* document and video to all committee members. (Newhouse)
- At the September 8, 2016, meeting:
 - TSA to brief on the status of airport checkpoint wait times. Topics of discussion will include technology, processes, training, finance, obstacles, challenges, and TSA's thoughts regarding ASAC's role in this area
 - TSA to invite the Office of Training and Development to present
- Subcommittees to review the 40 recommendations to assess whether they agree with the implementation status and provide a response to each one where they disagree with TSA's position A conference call with subcommittee co-chairs.
- Revise the 49 CFR 1552 Report to include an Executive Summary, stating the problem each of the five recommendations is attempting to fix (Jens Hennig)



Certification of Detailed Minutes

I hereby certify that this is an accurate record of the activities of the Aviation Security Advisory Committee on May 10, 2016.

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Stephen A. Alterman
Chairman



Attachment A: Meeting Agenda

Meeting Opening & Call to Order (Walter)

Chairman's Opening Remarks (Alterman)

Vice-Chairman's Opening Remarks (Dunlap)

TSA Executive Sponsor Opening Remarks (Newhouse)

Roll Call & Member Remarks (all)

TSA's Strategic Vision (Roth)

Review of Recommendation Status (Walter/Alterman)

Subcommittee Update (Chairs)

1. Airport Access Control
2. Commercial Airports
3. International Aviation
4. Air Cargo
5. Security Technology
6. General Aviation (*Proposed recommendation on 49 CFR 1552 – Flight Schools*)

Administrative discussion (e.g. future meeting dates)(Walter/Alterman)

Closing comments and adjournment (Alterman)



Attachment B: Meeting Attendees

Name	Organization	Status
Steve Alterman	Cargo Airline Association	Chair
Chris Bidwell	Airports Council International – North America	Member
Alan Black	Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport	Member
David Borer	AFGE	Member
Scott Broyles	National Safe Skies Alliance	Member
Colleen Chamberlain	American Association of Airport Executives	Member
Michael Cintron	International Airline Passengers Association	Member
Joe Dalton	NetJets	Member
Joe DePete	Air Line Pilots Association	Member
Ken Dunlap	International Air Transport Association	Vice-Chair
Daniel Fisher	ARSA	Member
Bob Francis	Farragut	Member
Brandon Fried	Air Forwarders Association	Member
Tony Graziano	UBC	Member
Jillian Gustafson	National Air Disaster Alliance	Member
Lane Hagin	ALEAN	Member
Jens Hennig	General Aviation Manufacturers Association	Member
Lorraine Howerton	USTravel	Member
Kenneth Mortensen	PwC	Member
Susan Presti	The International Air Cargo Association	Member
TJ Schulz	ACC	Member
Craig Spence	AOPA	Member
Vera Adams	DHS/TSA	Federal
Brian Conaway	DHS/TSA	Federal
Denise Daniels	DHS/TSA	Federal
Dianna Davis-Small	DHS/TSA	Federal
Mike Duffy	DHS/TSA	Federal

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AVIATION SECURITY  ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Name	Organization	Status
Tom Friedman	DHS/TSA	Federal
Jennifer Gordon	DHS/TSA	Federal
Jason Hull	DHS/TSA	Federal
Michael Jacobs	DHS/TSA	Federal
Kevin Knott	DHS/TSA	Federal
Warren Miller	DHS/TSA	Federal
Victoria Newhouse	DHS/TSA	Federal
Shaina Pereira	DHS/TSA	Federal
Marc Rossi	DHS/TSA	Federal
Marianne Roth	DHS/TSA	Federal
Andrea Vara	DHS/TSA	Federal
Dean Walter	DHS/TSA	DFO
Sterling Wiggins	DHS/TSA	Federal
Paul Wisniewski	DHS/TSA	Federal