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## Aviation Sector Resolves To Protect Industry From Cyber Threats

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Cyber security is now well and truly a priority for the aviation sector, with the International Civil Aviation Organization (**ICAO**) adopting an action-oriented cyber security <u>resolution</u> at its 40th Triennial Assembly earlier this month.

The resolution recognises the need for a coordinated and coherent international framework and calls on the sector to adopt cyber security management systems to protect critical aviation systems from cyber threats, to develop a cyber security culture, and to promote the development and implementation of international standards and best practices in order to protect data and systems from interference.

In its <u>submission</u> to the ICAO, Airports Council International (**ACI**) stressed that while the aviation industry has decades worth of safety and security experience under its belt, cyber threats are a new and volatile challenge that require a disciplined approach and a strong information security culture to address. It highlighted that "[c]ybersecurity threats have become real risks for the aviation sector and these risks are expected to increase in number and impact for the foreseeable future."

The ICAO has instructed ICAO's Secretary General to develop an action plan to support the sector to adopt ICAO's Cybersecurity Strategy and ensure that cyber security is front of mind, so we can expect more from them about cyber security in future.

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