A35-13: Non-chemical aircraft disinsection of the cabin and flight deck for international flights

Whereas all nations benefit from the safe, secure, efficient and effective operation of the international civil aviation system;

Whereas Assemblies have demonstrated a concern for and a contribution to human welfare in the quality of life and in the environment in which human beings work and engage in other pursuits, including matters related to engine emissions, the ozone layer, aircraft noise, smoking and invasive alien species;

Whereas Assemblies have recognized a responsibility to achieve maximum compatibility between civil aviation operation and the quality of the human environment;

Whereas there is concern that the current practice by some States of requiring the use of insecticides to disinsect aircraft can result in discomfort and raises questions about possible adverse health effects to aircraft crews and passengers; and

Whereas recently conducted research has shown non-chemical methods of disinsection to be efficacious in preventing the entry into aircraft of mosquitoes and other flying insects.

The Assembly:

1. Requests the Council to assist the World Health Organization in evaluating non-chemical approaches to aircraft disinsection;

2. Requests the Council to encourage the exploration of non-chemical approaches to aircraft disinsection of the cabin and flight deck; and

3. Requests the Council to report on the implementation of this Resolution to the next ordinary Session of the Assembly.