

Air safety: third-country aircrafts using Community airports, SAFA programme

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The European Parliament adopted a resolution drafted by its rapporteur Nelly MAES (Greens/EFA, Belgium) on third country aircraft using Community airports. (Please refer to the document dated 10/07/02.) Parliament pointed out that recent surveys have frequently shown third country aircrafts' flight manuals, radio navigation charts, global positioning systems, flight management systems and crew medical and type rating are not updated. Their load and trim sheets are not correct, and their life jackets, first-aid kits and fire extinguishers are allowed to pass their dates of use. Spot-check inspections could be stepped up in the case of aircraft in which defects have already been identified frequently in the past, or on aircraft belonging to airlines whose aircraft have frequently attracted attention.