

## Irish Air Line Pilots' Association

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To: Austrian Cockpit Association (ACA) – Austrian Airlines Pilots

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## Request for Mutual Assistance for – Austrian Cockpit Association (ACA), Austrian Airline Pilots

Dear Colleagues,

I am writing to you on behalf of all pilots affiliated to the Irish Air Lines Pilots' Association, IALPA. We stand in solidarity with the Austrian Airline Pilots.

IFALPA has been informed that the Austrian Transport and Services Union (VIDA), which is a close partner, IFALPA member association Austrian Cockpit Association (ACA), has called for Industrial Action of pilots and cabin crew at Austrian Airlines. Despite 18 rounds of negotiations with the airline management, employees have been unable to reach an agreement regarding salary, pension, flight time duty time and working conditions. The management's offer on salary

is far below what virtually all of the other pilots currently enjoy at the Lufthansa Group of airlines (10 passenger airlines and counting).

Following a general assembly of over 1300 members ( $1/3^{rd}$  of employees) and a 94% strike vote, VIDA is now calling for a strike starting on Thursday 27 March 2024 for 36 hours affecting all departures from Austria.

On behalf of the Austrian Airline pilots, ACA is requesting the Mutual Assistance outlined below, as per the IFALPA Industrial Manual, starting on 28 March 2024 00:01, until 29 March 2024 12:00:

- Ban on Wet Leasing (Para. 2.4.1)
- Freeze in Capacity (Para.2.4.2.2)

For carriers inside Alliance (Para. 2.4.2.3)

For carriers outside Alliance (Para. 2.4.2.3)

- Assistance to Pilots Stranded Away from their Home Base (Para. 2.4.5)
- Prohibition of Pilot Contracting (Para. 2.4.6)
- Submissions and Representations (Para. 2.4.7)

Finally, IALPA fully supports Austrian Airline Pilots represented by ACA and will provide all assistance necessary and required, so do not hesitate to contact us, by International Director, SFO Maria Sweeney, international@ialpa.net

In Unity,

Maria Sweeney

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