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7/22/69

MINUTES OF MEETINGS

OF

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEES

OF

AIR AMERICA, INC. AND AIR ASIA COMPANY LIMITED

22 July 1969

Meetings of the Executive Committees of Air America, Inc. and Air Asia Company Limited were held on July 22, 1969 and the following matters were considered:

1 - Approval of Minutes:

(a) Meetings of Air America, Inc. and Air Asia Company Limited Executive Committees of July 8, 1969: The minutes of the meetings of the Air America, Inc. and Air Asia Company Limited Executive Committees of July 8, 1969 were approved.

(b) Meeting of Air America, Inc. Board of Directors of July 15, 1969: The draft minutes of the meeting of Air America, Inc. Board of Directors of July 15, 1969 were approved for submission to the Board.

(c) Meeting of Air Asia Company Limited Board of Directors of July 15, 1969: The draft minutes of the meeting of Air Asia Company Limited Board of Directors of July 15, 1969 were approved for submission to the Board.

2 - Reports:

(a) Operating Statistics - May, 1969: Flying activity for May totalled 18,960 hours or 612 hours per day as compared with a total of 19,897 or 663 hours per day for April. Skilled man-hours expended in Tainan during May, totalled 530,000, down slightly from the 532,000 expended in April. Of these total skilled man-hours expended, 266,000 were for customer aircraft maintenance, up 6% from the 250,000 hours in April.

(b) Personnel Statistics - May, 1969: Personnel decreased by 58 to a total of 10,078 on board at the end of May. American personnel totalled 955 down 13 for the month. Flight personnel totalled 451 down 10 from a month earlier. Vacancies were up 46 with a total of 1,225 at May 31. It was reported that the vacancies are being reviewed and a substantial reduction should be noted in the June report, however, personnel on board are expected to increase by more than 170 due to changes in statistical methods.

(c) Major Accidents and Damage to Aircraft: Since the last Executive Committee meeting on July 8, 1969, the following reports of major accidents and aircraft damage were received:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Aircraft</u>	<u>Cause</u>	<u>Damage</u>	<u>Injured</u>	<u>Aircraft again available to customer</u>
July 17 Laos	UH-34D H50	Crashed and burned while attempting landing	Destroyed	Pilot, Flt. Mech., one Lao pax killed. One Lao pax minor injuries	---
July 22 Laos	Helio XWPBS	Overshot while landing with 5 knot quartering tailwind on wet runway	Sheared both MLG, prop and engine	None	Not being repaired at this time

In addition, there was one significant incident not involving major aircraft damage. On July 16, 1969, a pallet of four rice bags got away from an Air Freight Dispatcher on C46 aircraft XWPEJ and landed in a Lao Village killing one indigenous person on the ground and breaking the leg of another. Turbulence may have been a factor in the accident.

3 - SEA Contract Flying: It was reported that the level of flying in South-east Asia continues to decline. It was also reported that additional complications are being introduced in South Viet Nam operations. Firstly, the South Viet Nam Government have indicated their intent to require licensing of all pilots and mechanics working in South Viet Nam on U.S. Government contracts. Secondly, AID has issued a regulation that prohibits dependents of contractor employees from living in South Viet Nam. Enforcement of this regulation will have adverse affect on morale and will prove troublesome. The AID Mission Chief has authority to make individual exceptions to the regulations. Thirdly, Company personnel have been excluded from the Military Mess in Da Nang and Nha Trang.

On the positive side it was reported that Air America has been added as a member of the Joint Air Operations Group (JAOG) of the United States Military Assistance Command in Viet Nam. The purpose of JAOG is to serve as a joint agency for the effective identification and resolution of mutual problems in air operations in South Viet Nam. Other representatives on JAOG are General and Flag Officers of the U.S. Military.

4 - Capital Appropriation Request: The Executive Committee considered and approved capital appropriation request AR-PLNG-TNN 9024 for the repair of Volpar N3674G at a cost of \$15,125.

5 - Banking Facilities: The Executive Committee approved the following banking actions:

(a) Decrease Amount of Fund and Change Signatories:

(1) AAM Kadena Working Fund Account -
No. 10278 US\$10,000 at the American
Express Co., Inc. Military Banking
Facility

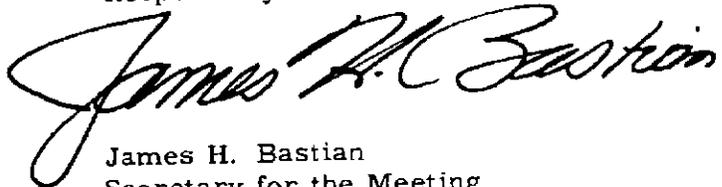
(2) AAM Seoul MPC Working Fund Account
(US\$3,000) at the Bank of America,
Military Banking Facility

(b) Change Signatories:

AACL Bangkok Working Fund Account -
Baht 60,000 (US\$2,927) at the Bank of
America

There being no further business to come before the meeting, on motion duly made and seconded, it was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,



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Secretary for the Meeting