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EEA EFTA Comment on the Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on aviation security charges [\(COM \(2009\) 217\)](#)

The EEA EFTA States, Iceland, Liechtenstein, and Norway, have studied with great interest the Commission's Proposal for a Directive of the European Parliament and of the Council on aviation security charges [\(COM \(2009\) 217\)](#), and appreciate the opportunity to comment on the draft Directive. The main views of the EEA EFTA States are the following:

The EEA EFTA States would like to stress that they support the Commission's proposal for a new directive on aviation security charges where the Member States are left free to decide themselves how to finance security measures going beyond the requirements stipulated by EU legislation.

As a consequence, the EEA EFTA States do not favour a possible amendment by the European Parliament to the Commission proposal which would oblige Member States to finance from state resources the costs of stricter measures under Article 6 of Regulation (EC) 300/2008 or any other extra measures.
