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EC - ICAO meeting: extracts from the joint press conference by Antonio TAJANI, EC Vice-President in charge of Transport and Roberto KOBEB GONZALEZ, President of the Council of the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO)

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Antonio Tajani, Vice-President of the EC in charge of Transport, received Roberto Kobeh Gonzalez, President of the Council of the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO). They discussed the security on air transport following the accidents along the Brazilian and the Comoros Islands. Antonio Tajani exposed his idea of creating a black list of air companies at international level, as a part of a global strategy to improve the guarantees to passengers.

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00:00:00 Title
00:00:04 General view of the press conference room (2 shots)
00:00:16 SOUNDBITE (Italian) by Antonio Tajani, Vice-President of the EC in charge of Transport: I exposed my idea of lengthening the European black list at international level, but I also spoke about a broader strategy that we, in the Union, consider good to adopt together with all the organisations that deal with air transport.
00:00:44 Cutaway
00:00:50 SOUNDBITE (Italian) by Antonio Tajani: The Commission is absolutely convinced that we have to have an international strategy in this time of globalisation to reinforce the guarantees that we give to passengers travelling on aircraft; in Europe, we have very high standards which we think offer guarantees to passengers and we want this system to be strengthened around the world.
00:01:21 Cutaway
00:01:27 SOUNDBITE (French) by Antonio Tajani: We are very rigorous about this; I am not saying that, because there has been an accident, an air company will be on the black list; you have to check the company's responsibility; I can not say that Air France does not guarantee the security of passengers.
00:01:47 Cutaway
00:01:56 SOUNDBITE (Spanish) by Roberto Kobeh Gonzalez, President of the Council of the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO): There are various actions to be taken to avoid accidents; those lists that discourage passenger to use certain airlines will not necessarily reduce accidents.
00:02:25 Cutaway
00:02:30 SOUNDBITE (Spanish) by Roberto Kobeh Gonzalez: For now, I can not speak in favour of an international black list because I do not have the mandate from the States of ICAO, but I fully agree with Commissioner Tajani on the need of working together in order to address deficiencies affecting air transport security.
00:03:02 Cutaway
00:03:07 End

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