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## **Merger Update**

### **ALPAWatch Supports NWA ALPA**

ALPAWatch supports the position NWA ALPA has taken on the proposed merger between NWA and DAL.

We also support the release of all factual materials that were used to reach the decisions that have been made. During the upcoming road shows, our expectations are that the presentations will contain the same information that the MEC has received.

The pilots (both NWA and DAL) have been very patient and trusting of their respective MEC's. It is time for the pilots to be presented with a clear picture showing why the leaderships of NWA ALPA and DAL ALPA were unable to agree on a mutual contract and seniority list. We also expect a clear and concise recommendation from our union for our best course of action going forward.

Since the Special MEC meeting on February 21-22<sup>nd</sup>, the entire NWA MEC has been unanimous in their support of the 'Exploratory' process. For this contentious governing body, unanimous is extraordinary as it is remarkable. They have successfully resisted special interest influences, both from within and outside the NWA pilot group that did not have the best interest of all NWA pilots in mind. It is our hope that this rare occurrence of harmony and positive effort will continue through

this process. Be assured, that this harmony has not diminished ALPAWatch's commitment to monitor, research and report to you.

### **Delta Pilots**

ALPAWatch is aware that many DAL pilots have subscribed to this newsletter and many more will read it. Once again, we welcome all of you. Our support of our union's position on the merger should in no way be taken as an offense to any DAL pilot. It is our continued recommendation that NWA and DAL pilots remain cordial and cooperative with one another. As NWA ALPA begins the process of releasing the facts we all deserve and need to know, we hope DAL ALPA will do the same.

We encourage both NWA ALPA and DAL ALPA to make their respective presentations available to both pilot groups. The managements of NWA and DAL have conspired to force us together with or without our approval. The two pilot groups should not have to rely on third party channels, bulletin boards and forwarded emails to acquire the facts we all need. Both pilot groups need to have equal access to the information being disseminated. The two unions need to work together to make this happen.

With the facts in hand, all NWA and DAL pilots should study the facts with an eye towards seeing it from both sides. Then assess the situation, make your own judgments and make your respective elected union representatives aware of those judgments.

Thank you again for participating in ALPAWatch. With the participation of pilots such as you, ALPAWatch will be successful in obtaining the Union Leadership that the Pilot Group deserves, and in doing so regain our fair compensation, our quality of life, our future, and our dignity.

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