

# Request for Mutual Assistance for SNA Brazil

Dear Colleagues,

Our Member Association in Brazil, the Sindicato Nacional dos Aeronautas (SNA), is requesting the assistance of all IFALPA Member Associations in supporting their campaign "[For the Right to Fly Safely – Against the Collapse of the Brazilian Air Transport System](#)". This initiative has been launched as an urgent measure regarding a set of provisions put at risk flight safety, crew welfare, and the long-term sustainability of the civil aviation system in Brazil.

The main concerns raised by the SNA are the fast-tracked advancement of Bill PL 539/2024, that would allow foreign crews to operate cabotage; the increasingly exhausting working conditions for pilots and cabin crew amid a lack of progress in fatigue management regulation; and the stagnation of Bill PLP 42/2023, addressing the special retirement regime for crews due to the particular physiological demands and health risks of their jobs.

Fatigue, regulatory instability, and precarious working conditions are not merely labor issues, they are safety issues. When crews are exposed to increasing strain and legal uncertainty, this risk extends well beyond the flight decks and affects the whole system.

As a result, SNA Brazil requests the Mutual assistance outlined below, as per the IFALPA Industrial Manual, **starting immediately and until further notice.**

- **Requests for IFALPA Submissions and Representation (Para. 2.5.7)**

All MAs are requested to stand in solidarity with SNA by sending letters of support and/or recording short video messages, addressed to SNA and Brazilian authorities, expressing solidarity and reminding that safety operations require rested, protected, and properly regulated crews. Send your support to Cpt. Diego Barrionuevo, [diego.barrionuevo@aeronautas.org.br](mailto:diego.barrionuevo@aeronautas.org.br) and CC [sebastiancurras@ifalpa.org](mailto:sebastiancurras@ifalpa.org)

SNA will keep IFALPA and its Member Associations informed of any further developments.

In Unity,



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Executive Vice President, Professional & Government Affairs

## Appendix 1, IFALPA Industrial Manual

- **Requests for IFALPA Submissions and Representation**

The Executive Board may be requested to make submissions and representations on behalf of a Member Association involved in an industrial dispute, to the media, the airline, the aviation authorities, and at ministerial, government, and political levels.

Member Associations may be requested to supplement the above action by making similar representations on behalf of the affected Member Association.