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AMFA - Alaska Airlines Contract Negotiations Update # 8

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On Tuesday March 29, 2005 open contract negotiations between the Aircraft Mechanics Fraternal Association and Alaska Airlines continued at the Gold Coast Center.

The week's session continued with discussions on **Article 8 – Field Service and Special Projects**. As referenced in previous updates the committees have continued discussions on the idea of a Special Projects Crew concept to perform major repairs to out of service aircraft on the system. Much progress has been made in developing language that would benefit both parties by providing opportunities for our members to perform repairs that may otherwise be sub-contracted to third-party maintenance vendors. The addition of a Special Projects Crew will not replace the current practice of field trips. Our intent language states, "The goal of the "Special Projects Crew" concept is to develop a crew that has expertise in these situations and can expedite returning aircraft to service, thereby creating the incentive for the carrier to keep work in-house that might otherwise be outsourced."

We had expected to respond during this next round of negotiations to the Company's economic proposal. However, we had not received complete data on the health care, pension and demographics of the employees to be able to complete our proposal. We expect to present our economic counter-proposal during the next round of negotiations scheduled for April 25 – 28.

As always, we would like to thank the observers that were in attendance and encourage others to attend in the future during this important process.

The next round of AMFA – ASA negotiations in Seattle; will take place at the Doubletree at Southcenter dates listed below. Please watch the Local 14 website for any updated information.

For additional negotiation information and other AMFA carrier updates, please call the **AMFA National Hotline at (800)-520-AMFA (2632).**

Dates

April 25th through April 28

May 3rd through May 6

May 24th and 25th

City

Seattle

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