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Ministerial Statement on Transport and Influenza

We share the concerns of the international community regarding avian influenza and the possible development, arising from this, of a new variant of influenza capable of human-to-human transmission.

We, noting the extensive actions already being taken by our respective governments and relevant international organizations, will endeavour to minimize any negative impact for transport systems arising from such diseases.

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Ministers Responsible for Transport Security of:

Australia;

Canada;

China;

France;

Germany;

Indonesia;

Italy;

Japan;

Malaysia;

Republic of Korea;

Russian Federation;

Singapore;

United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland; and

United States of America