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Revisions to Passenger Service Charge and Passenger Security Service Charge

The Civil Aviation Authority of Singapore (CAAS) is revising the Passenger Service Charge (PSC) and Passenger Security Service Charge (PSSC) at Changi Airport and Seletar Airport with effect from 1 January 2009. The revised charges are as follows:

a. **PSC**

The PSC will increase from S\$15 to S\$20 at Changi Airport's Terminals 1, 2 and 3. (There is no change in the PSC of S\$7 at the Budget Terminal and the PSC of S\$10 at Seletar Airport.)

b. **PSSC**

The PSSC will increase from S\$6 to S\$8 at Changi Airport's Terminals 1, 2 and 3, the Budget Terminal and Seletar Airport.

From 1 November 2008, passengers who purchase air tickets for travel on or after 1 January 2009 will pay the revised charges. The revision in charges is necessary as operating costs to be recovered through the PSC and PSSC have risen significantly over the years.

The PSC is a charge collected from passengers to recover costs that are directly related to the provision of passenger services such as terminal buildings' operating and maintenance costs, flight information display systems, trolley retrieval services and baggage handling. The PSSC covers passenger-related security costs such as manpower and operating costs of security equipment.

The increase in the operating costs is attributable to inflation, heightened security measures and various improvements works that have been undertaken to the terminal buildings to enhance passengers' facilities. The PSC was last increased 15 years ago in January 1994 while the PSSC has not changed since it was first introduced in March 2002.

CAAS has met with the Board of Airline Representatives as well as the International Air Transport Association to explain our need to increase the charges.

With the revision, passengers departing from Changi Airport's Terminals 1, 2 and 3 will pay a total of S\$28 in PSC and PSSC, while those departing from the Budget Terminal and Seletar Airport will pay a total of S\$15 and S\$18 respectively.