

**Question for written answer E-007255/2016
to the Commission**
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Subject: ICAO - Taiwan

The General Assembly of the International Civil Aviation Organisation (ICAO) is currently being held in Montreal, from 27 September to 7 October 2016. Taiwan is one of the leading aviation hubs in Asia and has the 11th highest number of annual passenger traffic in the world. According to the President of Taiwan, the Taipei flight information region handles 1.53 million flights and 58 million passengers a year. Aviation safety and international aviation rules are therefore of the utmost importance for Taiwan. Nevertheless, the country has not been invited to the ICAO General Assembly.

What is the Commission's view of the exclusion of Taiwan from the ICAO General Assembly?

Can the Commission provide precise information about EU-Taiwan relations in the air transport and aircraft manufacturing sector?