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## **SWAPA Thanks the Administration for Talks with Qatar and the UAE**

**(DALLAS)** — The Southwest Airlines Pilots Association (SWAPA) thanks the Administration for initiating talks with Qatar and the UAE to ensure a level playing field for the American worker. Qatar and the UAE continue to violate our Open Skies agreements with their massive subsidies, undermining U.S. companies and placing good paying American jobs at risk. SWAPA will continue to press for the enforcement of our Open Skies agreements and looks forward to working with the Administration to put an end to unfair foreign competition.

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Located in Dallas, Texas, the Southwest Airlines Pilots Association (SWAPA) is a non-profit employee organization representing the more than 9,000 pilots of Southwest Airlines. SWAPA works to provide a secure and rewarding career for Southwest pilots and their families through negotiating contracts, defending contractual rights, and actively promoting professionalism and safety. For more information on the Southwest Airlines Pilots Association, visit [www.swapa.org](http://www.swapa.org).

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