



## ASSOCIATION OF FLIGHT ATTENDANTS-CWA, AFL-CIO MESSAGE FROM THE AMR MASTER EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

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Today members from each AFA local gathered in DFW to attend our quarterly crew-scheduling round-table meeting with management. During the course of the meeting we focused our discussions on our current Automation system or lack thereof. Many of you will remember that in 2005 when our current contract was ratified it included the ground work for Automation. Over the course of the last few years we have been patient while the company continually worked out the programming issues. AFA is now at the point that we can no longer be patient with the constant excuses given to us by management.

We learned of a new additional process in how programming is affecting the lights by position/aircraft type which is yet another issue that was never divulged to the Association in the past 5 years. I, as MEC President chose to take a stand and inform management of our displeasure with the newly learned information. At that point the entire AFA delegation (included base Presidents) walked out of the meeting, ending the session, and reconvened at our local AFA office. We fully expect the company to spin today's AFA walk-out as a choice by AFA not to cooperate with them. Should that happen we at AFA want you to know that after 5 years we should not be having to still sit around and listen to excuse after excuse of why this and why that. We agreed to have a fully functioning system to enhance the lives of all our Flight Attendants. What we have is a system that is continually being pieced together and after 5 years this should not be the case. **AFA IS DONE WITH AND TIRED OF A PARTIAL FUNCTIONING AUTOMATION SYSTEM!!!!**

At this point we will consult with each local AFA President, as well as our MEC Grievance Chair, Carol Harper. We will push that our International Legal staff provide direction on what can be done to enforce and ultimately resolve our major issues with Automation.

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