United MEC Statement Regarding Need for Secondary Barriers to Protect Cockpit Access

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"The inadvertent leak of information regarding flight deck door access procedures highlights the need for robust flight deck door protections. The United MEC has been advocating for the installation of secondary barriers on passenger aircraft to protect the flight deck and our customers for 16 years. At approximately $5,000 each, this inexpensive yet highly effective backup measure has broad support among customers, flight crews and in Congress.

"Until airlines do the right thing on their own, it falls on Congress to pass legislation making mandatory installation of secondary barriers the law of the land. The installation of secondary barriers on all passenger aircraft is a simple and cost effective way to bolster the last line of flight deck defense."

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