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**ASAP Update:** *"your report left open while Flight Safety gathers further background information."* Pilots who have submitted ASAP reports often receive an email from Flight Safety containing this phrase after their report has initially been reviewed by the ERC. This is not an indication of a problem. Almost without exception, this message merely indicates that the ERC/FAA wishes to hold the report open to ensure no ATC paperwork (pilot deviation) exists that would affect the ERC's treatment of the event. By three-party agreement, the FAA is granted ten business days to locate/produce filed deviation reports, so many potential deviations are held open an extra week to honor this agreement.

All pilots should also be aware that the current budget impasse is affecting the ASAP program. With minimal FAA personnel reporting to work, the ERC is at a standstill and the number of reports awaiting review is growing. The company and ALPA are working together to minimize this slowdown, but delays in ASAP report closure/results are inevitable.

**Migration of iALPA:** We are upgrading iALPA to make it more user friendly and more accessible to our pilots. Whether you are an existing subscriber via Good Reader, or you are interested in accessing iALPA via the free Box account, [click here](#) to view the instructions on how to migrate to the new server.

**New Hire Pilot Mentors:** Delta Flight Operations is seeking first officer volunteers to mentor our probationary pilots during their initial training and flying experience. A two-day, paid training program will be provided at DAL headquarters. The first class is scheduled for January. If you would like to be part of the team, please see the additional information and application located on DeltaNet -Flight Operations Page - Flight Operation Links - New Hire Mentoring Application.

**Forum Upgrade:** The ALPA message boards are currently going through an upgrade and will be in "read only" mode pending the release of the upgraded Forum 2.0, Delta Pilots Blog. This includes Committee Corner as well. We appreciate your understanding while we make the new forum a place everyone can enjoy.

**Report Jumpseat Issues:** Please submit JSAP and/or FCR reports for jumpseat issues. For issues on Delta or DCI submit both a JSAP and an FCR. For issues with other airlines, please only file a JSAP report. The JSAP report form is on the DAL MEC website, [Jumpseat Committee](#) page. Pilots may contact the committee at [DALMECjumpseat@alpa.org](mailto:DALMECjumpseat@alpa.org).

**Upcoming Council Meetings:**

Council 66, Wednesday, October 16, 1pm - 3pm, JFK Terminal 4 Station Meeting Room  
Council 1, Wednesday, October 16, 10am-Noon, The Crowne Plaza Hotel & Suites MSP—Mall of America  
Council 16, Tuesday, October 22, 11am, Proud Bird Restaurant, Los Angeles  
Council 44, Friday, November 1, 1pm - 4pm, Hilton Garden Inn Atlanta Airport North

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