Just culture in Europe and Beyond
Setting the scene

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**ES²-WS2-12 - JUST CULTURE – TIME TO DELIVER**
Implementation, Opportunities & Challenges

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<td>Session 1: Setting the scene – Just Culture in Europe and Beyond&lt;br&gt;Issues, trends and concerns – EUROCONTROL - Tony Liu - Head of Operational Safety Unit Q&amp;A</td>
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<td>Session 7: EASA ATM/ANS Standardisation &amp; links to Just Culture&lt;br&gt;Enhancing Just Culture to ensure a high level of aviation safety &amp; Standardisation visits approach to Just Culture – EASA - Milen Dentschev – Head of ATM Standardisation Unit &amp; Clarisse Ribeiro – Legal Expert Q&amp;A</td>
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<td>Session 12: Legal &amp; Judicial view (the Prosecutor and the Judge view)&lt;br&gt;The judiciary and the application of just culture – discussion with a number of representatives from the judiciary in a number of EUROCONTROL member states - Bote ter Steege - Dutch Prosecutor- The Netherlands - Massimo Scarabellio – Judge GIP Italy Q&amp;A</td>
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European description of Just Culture

A culture in which front line operators or others are not punished for actions, omissions or decisions taken by them that are commensurate with their experience and training,

*but where gross negligence, wilful violations and destructive acts are not tolerated.*
“Forensic” of the Concept of Just Culture

Actions, omissions and decisions expected from someone with your level of training and experience

Gross Negligence or Willful Misconduct

BUT WHO DRAWS THE LINE?
Just Culture – on old issue
Code of Hammurabi (1795-1750)

If a physician heals the broken bone or diseased soft part of a man, the patient shall pay the physician five shekels in money. If he were a freed man he shall pay three shekels. If he were a slave his owner shall pay the physician two shekels.

If a physician makes a large incision with an operating knife and cure it, or if he open a tumour (over the eye) with an operating knife, and saves the eye, he shall receive ten shekels in money. If the patient be a freed man, he receives five shekels. If he be the slave of some one, his owner shall give the physician two shekels.

If a physician makes a large incision with the operating knife, and kill him, or open a tumour with the operating knife, and cut out the eye, his hands shall be cut off. If a physician makes a large incision in the slave of a freed man, and kill him, he shall replace the slave with another slave. If he had opened a tumour with the operating knife, and put out his eye, he shall pay half his value.

(after prof. Hollnagel)
Why do we need Just Culture?

- Incident reports are essential to aviation safety;
- Need to ensure flow of information;
- Need to provide environment supporting reporting (and address “fear” of reporting);

- Just Culture concept – supporting safety reporting in a culture that is “just” for all parties involved.
Accountability vs. Learning

“The Accountability Scale”

Secretive  Blame  Reporting  Just

“The Learning Scale”

Failure to learn  Incremental Learning  Continuous Learning  Transform. learning

Adapted from SC M.S. Patankar
Moderns time and aviation “Criminalisation” -samples

- 1988, Air France - over Habsheim; PIC & F/O, 2 Air France officials & president of flying club charged with manslaughter; all found by the court guilty; PIC -6 months in prison, plus 12 months probation; the others were sentenced to probation;
- 1997- Japan Airlines MD-11- Captain prosecuted, found guilty - eventually acquitted by the Nagoya High Court on January 9, 2007;
- 1997-Ukrainian Yakovlev-42 - 2 ATCO’s prosecuted; found guilty of manslaughter; sentenced to 5 years imprisonment- confirmed on appeal;
- 1999-Falcon 900 B - PIC and co-pilot (also a Captain) charged with manslaughter and causing bodily injury; trial court, captain guilty- 5 years; co-pilot acquitted; appeal-reduced the sentence to 36 months;
- 2006 -collision between American registered executive jet and a Gol Airlines 737 – crew of Legacy Jet and Brazilian ATCOs pursued
Moderns time and aviation “Criminalisation” -samples cont’d

- Pilot of Garuda Airlines – accident March 07, 21 pax killed; July 08 Captain charged; faces life imprisonment
- Concorde – July 08 French judicial officials ruled Continental Airlines & 5 others charged; 113 persons killed
- April 08 Tokyo HC overturned lower courts acquittal of 2 ATCO’s and sentenced one to 12 yrs and the other 18 yrs (suspended); near collision of 2 JAL airlines;
- Captain of the Boeing-737 who survived the accident in Kyrgyzstan on 24 August 2008 detained; 65 pax killed; faces up to 15 years of imprisonment under the criminal code
- Helios Airways - 4 persons officially charged by Cyprus prosecuting authorities – Trial began 23 February 2009 and the recent sentence in 2012 (Head of Flight Operations; Head of Training, CEO and Accountable Manager)
- And many more... Linate , Ueberlingen, Cagliari

(Mateou & Mateou)
Criminalisation of Aviation/ATM

- Criminalisation: Wrong term for a serious problem
- Balance between two goals:
  - Enhancing Safety and Administration of Justice
- No Extremes:
  - No immunities from Prosecution
  - No misuse of Prosecution/Judicial Powers
- Resolve at the root:
  - Protect reporting/investigation process
  - Establish prosecution policy
- Just Culture Concept (By Any Name)
- We need to separate JC in case of accidents and in case of incidents
Why this shift in perception?

- Technical failures vs. human failures;
- We tend to apportion responsibility and blame for outcome;
- We tend to retrospectively judge humans as autonomous and volitional individuals (contrary to how we judge technical failures);
- Investigators treat existing social and organisational activities as irrelevant standing conditions;
- The operations complexity is not of easy access of the judiciary;
- Society pressure to open enquiries (media);
- Etc.
Just Culture Activities – World Wide

- European JC Task Force
- Common Aviation Prosecution Policy in Europe
- Education and Support; Prosecution Expert Pool project
- EU rules and initiatives

- ICAO High Level Safety Conference
- Follow-up Recommendations and General Assembly
- ICAO SIP TF
- ICAO SX-SG

- FAA Programmes
- IFATCA, IFALPA/ECA & CANSO
Example - Occurrence Causes

• A man has a bad argument with his wife.

• He storms out of the house to the nearest bar and drinks four whiskies.

• He then decides to go for a drive.

• It is night-time, there is a skim of snow on the ground, and the tyres on our victim’s car are smooth.

• In rounding a poorly banked curve at excessive speed, the right front tyre blows out, the car leaves the road and is demolished.

(Adapted from N. Johnston)
Overall this is what we know

THE MAN
- Has an argument with his wife
- Drinks four whiskies
- Drives fast

THE CAR
- Tyre blows out
- Car leaves the road
- Car is demolished
- Tyres were smooth

THE WORLD
- Poorly banked curve
- Skim of snow
- Night time
Evaluate the data

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<td>Skim of Snow</td>
<td>how thick?</td>
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<td>4 whiskies</td>
<td>how much alcohol? (What is the norm)</td>
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<td>Tyres smooth</td>
<td>how much worn out? (millimetres)</td>
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<td>Curve bank</td>
<td>how bad? (angle required)</td>
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<td>Excessive speed</td>
<td>what was the speed? (Speed limit)</td>
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<td>Car demolished</td>
<td>evaluation of damages</td>
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Find more

• Was it still snowing? How much snow, How slippery?

• What kind of driver was the man? Any offences before?

• Road signals (e.g. with reference to the curve)

• Interview the driver (after he leaves hospital):
  ➢ How familiar with road
  ➢ Family problems (HF specialist)

• Interview other persons

• Visit the places
What can we do about this?

**THE MAN**
- Has an argument with his wife
- Drinks four whiskies
- Drives fast 10Kms above speed limit
- Applied breaks heavily

**THE CAR**
- Tyres were 50% used
- Car leaves the road
- Car demolished
  - Written off 50X50 cm cube

**THE WORLD**
- Poorly banked curve
  - Well below stds
- Skim of snow
  - Very little snow
- Night time
  - Very reduced visibility
Sharp-end, blunt-end

Blunt-end failures happened earlier and somewhere else

Adapted from prof. E. Hollnagel