



## **MEMO IN OPPOSITION---FAA PRIVATIZATION**

The County Executives of America (CEA), is an organization that includes a membership of over 700 chief elected executives of a county or consolidated city/county government and includes the largest metropolitan governments in the country. Our members are the top decision-makers in their jurisdictions and have full responsibility for the growth of the local economy and the well-being of their citizenry.

This esteemed group representing 56% of the American people strongly opposes any and all attempts to hand over the FAA to private or to a non for profit organization. We, the major stakeholders of airports and air facilities in the United States, do not support any effort to change the Governance of the Air system. Further, CEA supports efforts to upgrade the existing system to the most efficient and modern achievable.

Congress should appropriate the necessary funds to achieve modernization and not turn this most vital system over to any nongovernmental entity. The FAA is a vital controller of the airways and facilities so vital to the economic prosperity of our communities and the public safety of our citizens who depend on that mode of transportation.

**CEA STANDS IN OPPOSITION TO THIS ACTION.**