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## **NATCA President Nick Daniels Highlights Need for System Upgrades in National Media Appearances**

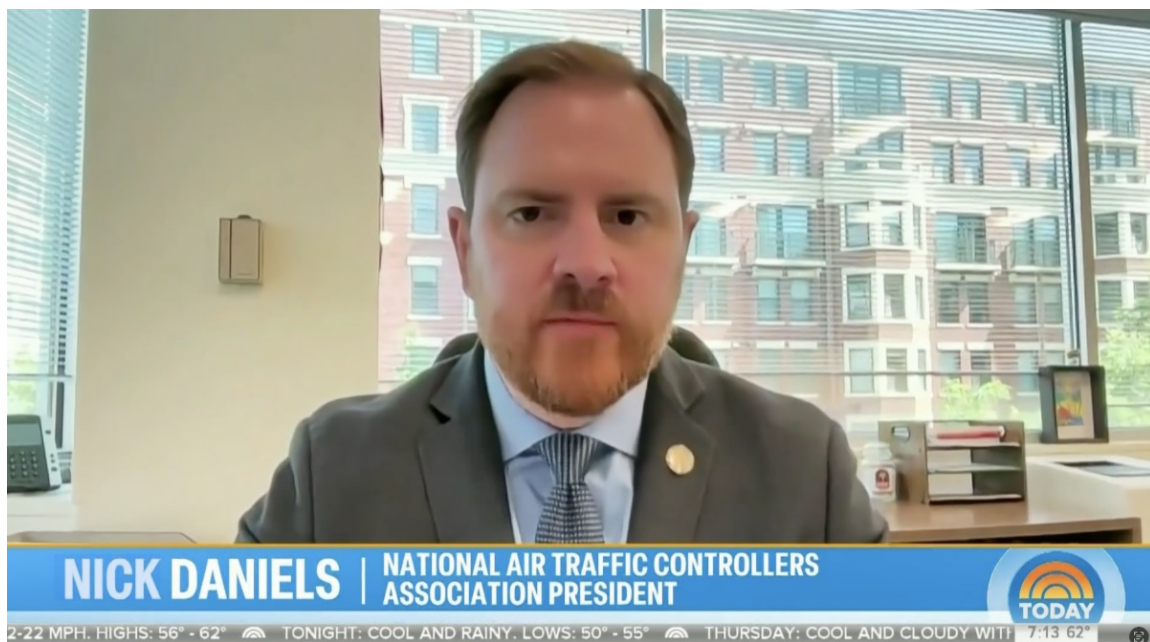
NATCA President Nick Daniels continued his media appearances yesterday with interviews airing on Fox Business, NBC's TODAY Show, and ABC News Nightline.

Daniels spoke with Fox Business Correspondent Grady Trimble about recent communication outages and staffing issues at Philadelphia TRACON (PHL) Area C which has caused on-going flight delays and cancellations at Newark Liberty International Airport (EWR). His interview with Trimble aired on Mornings with Maria and Varney & Co.

Daniels emphasized that the time to modernize the system is now, telling Fox Business, "The key is making sure the capacity of the system matches our capability. And right now, while we continue to have these outages, it underscores the need for an investment in the modernization of the air traffic system. We didn't get here overnight, and we won't get out of it overnight. But partnering with this Administration, making the investment that is needed now will start providing the solutions that the American people deserve and are looking for."



During his appearance on TODAY, Daniels stressed that air travel remains safe in the United States because of the work of the aviation safety professionals represented by our Union. “It is safe to fly because of the hard-working men and women [air traffic controllers]. Again, ATCs have been working six-day weeks, 60 hours in that week.” Daniels said. “We have to ensure they are taken care of as well.”



An ABC News Nightline segment featuring Daniels explored what led to the air traffic controller staffing crisis and offered viewers a glimpse into the hiring and training of new ATC professionals. The segment concludes with Daniels speaking about how we must maintain the safety of the flying public amid staffing shortages and equipment failures. “Ultimately we [the controllers] are going to ensure that every single person that enters the airspace ... will know that we have their backs and are keeping them safe.”



Watch the full segments from Fox Business, NBC's TODAY Show, and ABC News Nightline on NATCA's [website](#).

NATCA President Nick Daniels has spoken with other national media outlets this week. NATCA will share these other news stories when they are available.

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## **NATCA President Nick Daniels Speaks as Part of Panel on Airspace Modernization and Safety**

NATCA President Nick Daniels addressed attendees as part of a panel at the XPonential Conference in Houston, Texas on Wednesday, May 21. The annual conference that is hosted by the Association for Uncrewed Vehicles Systems International brings together attendees from around the world who are interested in technology advancements and regulatory developments around unmanned aerial vehicles (drones).





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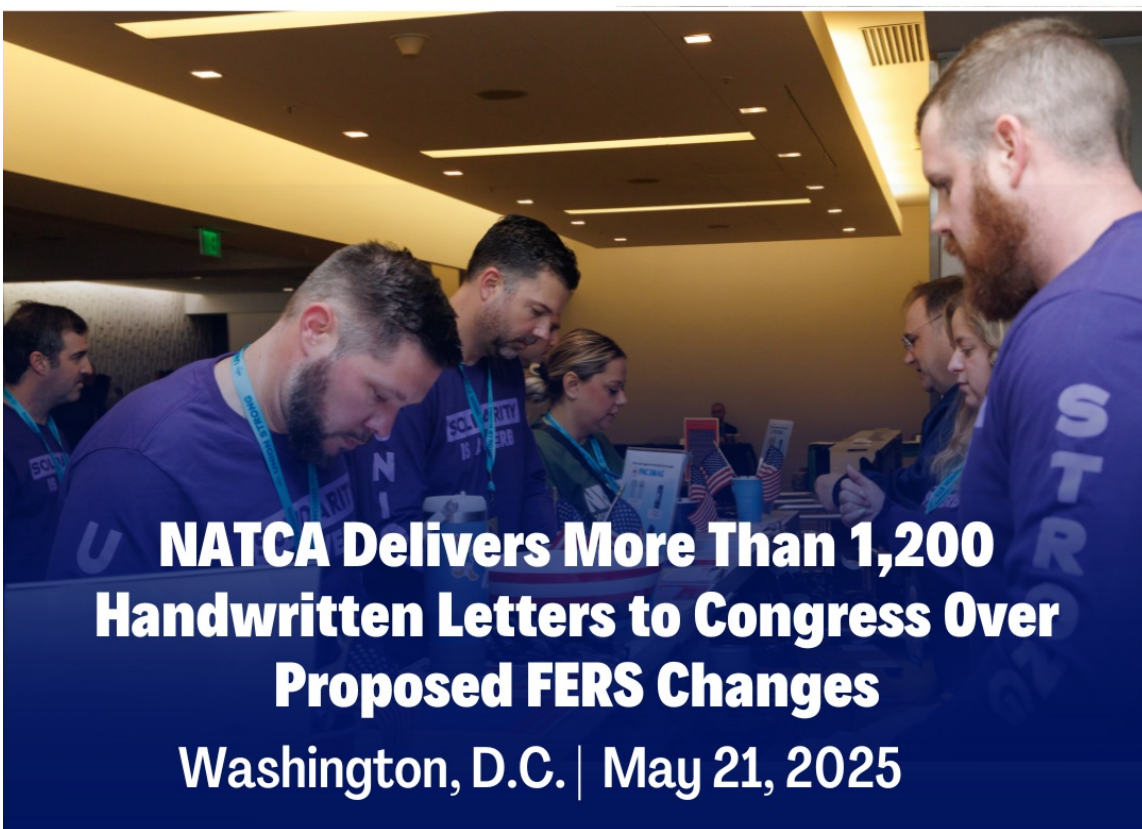
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Daniels participated on a panel titled, “Airspace Modernization and Safety.” Other panel members included Zipline’s Head of Airspace Integration Peter Sachs, ANRA Technologies Founder and CEO Amit Ganjoo, and Wisk’s Director of Airspace Operational Integration Erick Corona. The panel focused on the latest innovations in infrastructure, advanced air mobility, and operator tools designed to enhance situational awareness. The panelists also touched on how digitalization, AI-driven decision support, and resilient communications are helping shape the future of aviation and air traffic control.

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## **NATCA Activists Deliver Handwritten Letters to Congressional Offices**



Members of NATCA's National Legislative Committee personally delivered handwritten letters from NATCA members to congressional offices on Tuesday and Wednesday, May 20-21, as part of our Union's drive to educate members of Congress about the importance of not changing the Federal Employee Retirement System (FERS) and other federal benefits. In all, more than 1,200 personal letters were delivered to offices in both the House and Senate. All together, the letters weighed more than 28 pounds. Many of them were written by attendees at the recent Biennial Convention in San Francisco. Some letters were also written by members and mailed to NATCA's national office in Washington, D.C.

View a [Flickr album](#) with photos from this effort.

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