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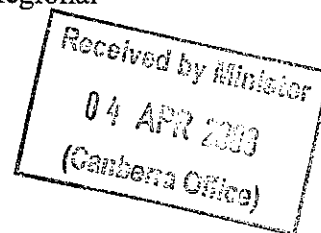
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Dear Minister *Anthony*,

I am writing to convey the outcomes of the first meeting of the re-formed Sydney Airport Community Forum held on 15 February 2008. In doing so I would like to acknowledge your address to members at the beginning of the meeting, and thank you for your contribution to the inaugural meeting.

As you are aware, members received presentations from Boulderstone Hornibrook and Sydney Airport Corporation on the upcoming Runway End Safety Area (RESA) project on the east-west runway and on the Sydney Airport Master Plan which is due to be submitted to you in early 2009. We were gratified by Sydney Airport Corporation's announcement that it would be undertaking a Major Development Plan (MDP) on the RESA project which will include a significant period of public consultation. SACF will take the opportunity to provide a formal submission on the MDP and our key interest will be the associated noise impact on surrounding communities during the RESA construction.

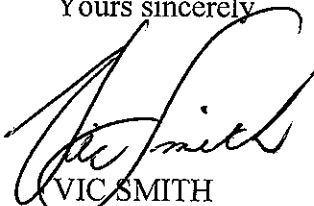
As you are also aware, the issue of the implementation of the Long Term Operating Plan (LTOP) for Sydney Airport was discussed and in particular, the current LTOP targets and whether they are achievable or not. It is my intention for SACF to explore this issue further at the next meeting in an effort to resolve the questions surrounding non-attainment of the targets.

An update was given on the most recent meetings of the Implementation and Monitoring Committee and its discussions on the RESA, among other issues.

The Aviation Community Advocate, Tony Williams, also made his first report to members on the projects and tasks he is currently undertaking for SACF. Members with previous SACF involvement expressed firm support for the work of the Advocate. Consistent with the current contract between the Advocate and the Department, I will participate in a review of the position with the contract manager (Mr Dave Southgate) and bring forward our findings to you in due course. Following discussions with your Aviation Adviser, Mr Antony Sachs it is proposed that in the interim Mr Williams take on the task of coordination and preparation of SACF's submission to the MDP when released by Sydney Airport Corporation for public comment.

Considerable discussion took place in relation to SACF membership. Some members of the previous SACF were disappointed to not be included in the new membership. Petitions were made by some members for membership to be extended to include representatives from Sutherland Shire, Lane Cove and Hunter's Hill Councils, as well as the electorate of Cronulla, to be granted membership. I thank you for your recent advice that the Mayor of Sutherland Shire is to be included in the SACF membership. The total number of members on SACF is now twenty-seven.

Yours sincerely



VIC SMITH
CHAIR