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Minister for Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development and Local
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Dear Minister

I am writing to convey the outcomes of the meeting of the Sydney Airport
Community Forum (SACF) held on Friday 20 March 2009.

The SACF submission to the Government's 'Towards a National Aviation Policy'
Green Paper (Green Paper) was discussed at length and was the main focus at the
meeting. The Aviation Community Advocate (ACA), Mr Tony Williams, has been
drafting a submission on SACF's behalf. The Forum agreed on a process for finalising
the submission.

The six monthly review of the ACA position was also raised during the meeting. The
outcomes of the review and possible future roles of the ACA will be included for
discussion and acceptance at the next meeting of SACF.

Sydney Airport Corporation Limited (SACL) advised the Forum that it has submitted
the Airport's Draft Master Plan to you. SACL also advised SACF that it has
commenced reviewing its Airport Environment Strategy, and that it will be formally
exhibiting its Preliminary Draft Environment Strategy for public comment later in
2009.

The RESA project was another important Agenda Item at the meeting. It was noted
that SACL continues to submit its status reports to SACF within the timeframes
outlined in your Conditions of Ministerial Approval, and the IMC continues to
monitor how aircraft noise is being shared around Sydney during the project.

It was noted in the meeting that due to the economic crisis, there has been a downturn
in consumer demand across the aviation industry with some international airlines
reporting a 20% reduction in movements.

The Kurnell community representative, Mr Kevin Hill, raised questions about an
increase in aircraft movements during the curfew shoulder period arising from the
change in daylight savings hours. Your department has undertaken to provide relevant
information.

Finally, as a consequence of the previous Chairman, Mr Vic Smith, resigning from his
position, SACF no longer has a Community Representative from the East. I would
like to recommend that this position be filled and look forward to having the chance to
discuss this with you.

Yours sincerely

Mr Barry Cotter
SACF Chair