

# SUMMARY RECORD

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## SACF Special Meeting, 19 December 2012

### AGENDA ITEM 1 Opening Remarks and Adoption of Agenda

This meeting was called on 14 December 2012 in response to statements issued by the NSW Premier Mr Barry O'Farrell MP and Sydney Airport Corporation Ltd. seeking to increase the movement cap and erode the curfew at Sydney Airport.

Apologies were received from:

- Ms Maria Patrinos, Community Representative;
- Mr John Clarke, representing the Member for Bradfield;
- Mr Rob Edney, representing the Australian Airline Industry;
- Cr Monica Wangmann, Ashfield Council;
- Cr Kevin Schreiber, Sutherland Shire Council;
- Mr Ted Plummer, Sydney Airport Corporation Limited;
- Cr Sally Betts, representing the Member for Wentworth, and;
- Mr John Woods representing the Member for Cook.

On 18 December 2012 the Chair circulated a minute outlining the issues and proposing the following resolution:

I recommend that SACF endorse as a policy:

- A second airport site is needed in the Sydney Basin;
- A decision is needed in the short term to protect a site;
- The curfew and movement cap at Sydney should remain unaltered;
- The NSW Government should cooperate with the federal government to select and develop a Sydney second airport site;
- We write to Premier O'Farrell asking how his proposals will not erode the environmental regulatory protections for Sydney residents while adding no real capacity.

A vote was called and the meeting voted unanimously to support this resolution. The representative from the Board of Airline Representatives Australia abstained from voting. Representatives for the Member for Bradfield and the Member for Wentworth and Community Representative Ms Patrinos could not attend the meeting but indicated their support for the resolution.

**Action**      **The Chair will write to Premier O'Farrell putting forward SACF's views and seeking advice on how his proposals will not erode the regulatory protections for Sydney residents while adding no real capacity.**

The Chair proposed to issue a Media Release on the matter.

## Media Release

Wednesday 19 December 2012

### **Community opposes extra flights - Second Sydney Airport the only real solution**

The Sydney Airport Community Forum today held an emergency meeting to respond to plans outlined by the Premier Mr Barry O'Farrell MP for an increase in the movement cap from 80 to 85 flights per hour, additional flights during the curfew shoulder period and no new airport in Sydney.

The Sydney Airport Corporation Limited also supported the Premier's plans for these increases.

The Forum resolved that a second airport is needed in the Sydney Basin, that a decision needs to be made in the short term to protect a site, and that the NSW Government should cooperate with the Federal Government to select and develop a second airport for Sydney.

The Forum also resolved that the curfew and movement cap at Sydney should remain unaltered.

The Forum resolved to write to Premier O'Farrell asking him to demonstrate how his proposals will not erode the environmental regulatory protections for Sydney residents while adding no significant capacity to the airport.

The NSW and Federal Governments commissioned the Joint Study into Aviation Capacity in the Sydney region. The report released in March this year shows that unmet demand for aviation in Sydney will cost the national economy \$6 billion by 2035 and \$35 billion by 2060. This means that up to 77,900 jobs will be forgone across the country.

The Joint Study also found that by 2015 Sydney Airport slots will be severely constrained at peak times and by around 2030 no new growth will be possible.

This will restrict the operation of Noise Sharing Modes which are integral to the benefits of Sydney Airport's noise sharing plan.

The Joint Study did not support any change to the curfew and also pointed out that with the airport already close to capacity, increasing the cap in peak hours would only buy as little as a year.

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## **ATTENDANCE**

### **Members**

P.	Fitzgerald	Chair
K	Andrews	Representing the Member for Watson
W.	Bennett	Board of Airline Representatives Australia
J.	Bihary	Representing the Member for Bennelong
D.	Cobley-Finch	Representing the Member for Sydney
G.	Glinatsis	Representing the Member for Heffron
B.	Hayes	Representing the Member for North Sydney
K.	Hill	Community Representative for the South
S.	McArdle	Representing the Member for Kingsford-Smith
J.	Murphy MP	Member for Reid
J.	Patterson	Representing the Mayor of the City of Botany Bay
K	Welsh	Representing the Mayor of Leichhardt
C.	Woods	Representing the Member for Marrickville

### **Department of Infrastructure and Transport**

S.	Stone	General Manager, Aviation Environment
J.	Collis	Aviation Environment Policy Section, SACF Secretariat
L.	Hand	Advisor to the Minister for Infrastructure and Transport

### **Airservices Australia**

E.	Keenan	Manager, Community Relations
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### **Observers**

J..	Saulwick	Sydney Morning Herald
L.	Sierakowski	North Sydney
J.	Stewart	Tourism and transport Forum