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An Bord Pleanála
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Re: A proposed development comprising the taking of a 'Relevant Action' only within the meaning of Section 34C of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, which relates to the night-time use of the runway system at Dublin Airport

Bord Pleanála Case reference: PL06F.314485

Dear Sir/Madam,

We acknowledge and thank you for the time afforded to daa in preparing the enclosed response which, owing to the complex nature of acoustic modelling and the passage of time since the original application, has taken considerable time to prepare. We are confident the response provides a robust assessment to address An Bord Pleanála's queries and to progress its review.

As you are aware, the North Runway Relevant Action application has been in the planning process since December 2020. In the intervening years, Irish aviation has undergone profound and positive change to support a robust and thriving Irish economy, driven in part, by aviation-led global connectivity. We note in particular the stronger than expected return to growth following Covid-19 and, of relevance to the Relevant Action application, the historic opening of

the North Runway.

Maximising the potential of this important piece of strategic infrastructure is now essential. Ease of air travel, cost competitiveness, and trade facilitation are vitally important drivers of the Irish economy, and the importance of high-quality international connectivity is recognised at the highest levels of national planning and aviation policy. A grant of permission for the proposed Relevant Action would ensure these important objectives can be delivered. It would provide the right operating environment to safeguard the ongoing and future success of the Irish Aviation industry as modern, internationally competitive and dynamic to external challenges. Importantly, it would also ensure that the North Runway, an critical strategic national investment, can be used to its full potential while balancing local concerns through a new Noise Quota System.

We appreciate the complex and technical nature of the information provided in this response will take time to assess. However, we respectfully ask that a decision is made as soon as practically possible. This would allow us to address uncertainty around the ability of Dublin Airport to support the goals outlined in national policy and give confidence to our airlines partners and other regulatory agencies.

Should you require any further information to support your assessment of this case, please do not hesitate to contact us, and we will expedite the provision of that information as a critical priority.

We look forward to a decision in due course.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Kenny Jacobs', written in a cursive style.

Kenny Jacobs
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