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27 August 2004

By Post and By E-mail

Dear Sir / Madam

Ayrshire Joint Structure Plan Consultation Draft Representations on behalf BAE SYSTEMS Limited

On behalf of our client, BAE SYSTEMS, we have been instructed to submit representations to the Consultation Draft Ayrshire Joint Structure Plan, in respect of the Company's landholdings at Prestwick International Airport. We set out our comments and representations below.

The Site

The Company's landholdings are situated to the north of the main airfield at Prestwick International Airport, and to the south of the village of Monkton.

Representations

Within the Consultation Draft Joint Structure Plan, it is stated that the areas likely to support further expansion of Glasgow Prestwick International Airport (GPIA) should be protected from adverse developments. It is therefore proposed that all land bounded on the north and east by the A79 and A77 should be protected from alternative development proposals (paragraph 2.57).

Whilst not opposed to the safeguarding of this land in principle, BAE SYSTEMS are concerned that the desire to safeguard land for expansion of the airport was included within the existing Structure Plan, which was approved in 1999, but there are still no specific plans for development. Our main concern is that this land will be sterilised due to a strategic veto on any alternative development proposals, with no specific time frame or plans for expansion of the airport.

We consider that giving a clearer indication of the nature of expansion proposals and an anticipated timescale of when this is likely to happen could provide some reassurance with regard to the safeguarding of this land.

We trust that you will take our comments into consideration and would be happy to discuss this matter with the Joint Structure Plan team. We would also like to reserve the right to expand on these representations at a later date.



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Yours faithfully

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