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To: Manston Airport

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Dear Sirs,

I am supporting the retention of Manston Airport as a working Airport for the following reasons.

It will be needed over the next two decades, as other airports not only in the UK but in Europe will be unable to accommodate the increase in freight waiting to be dealt with.

It has a good long runway capable of accommodating larger planes as these become available. It will allow planes to land as a result of an emergency, as has happened in one case, in the past when a plane was low on fuel.

It will save another airport being built on a green field site when the need arises, particularly as we produced 90% of our own food in the 1980's which is now down to 60%

Building another will have consequences for Public Rights of Way being closed or diverted.

A spur line into Manston can be built to the airport, as is the case at Stansted.

Journey times from St. Pancras to Ramsgate and Dover, is just over an hour. St Pancras has a good connection with many towns and cities in the Midlands and the North., indeed Kings Cross is only a short walk away across the road allowing further connections

As the airport becomes more developed, an increase in passenger traffic will result in visits by tourists, as was possible with visitors from the U.S. in the past.

Retaining the airport will allow industries associated with aircraft maintenance, export facilities, and aircraft training to develop.

Your faithfully'

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