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To: Manston Airport

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## Dear Sir or Madam.

I attended yesterday a meeting of the Save Manston Airport Association, a group I have supported since the closure of the airport in Kent, which I used to fly from regularly for my business.

I understand that despite very clear instructions from the Planning Inspector, very late submissions which are well after the cut off date for submissions have been accepted and that RSP, who wish to develop the airfield and return it to operational use, are being asked to reply to the comments. Given that the planning inspectorate has already submitted its findings to the DfT this seems complete nonsense to me and I am writing to protest at what amounts to an abuse of Process.

The majority of the residents of Thanet have waited very patiently for the outcome of the enquiry and to add further delay to the process is madness in my view. RSP announced yesterday that they had a strong interest from another American Investor who is prepared, they say, to put £350m into the airport. This would make this project second only to the Channel Tunnel for investment in Kent. This area desperately needs jobs and the Airport, if approved would be a major employment provider.

The thoughts of us yesterday can be summed up in a comment from one of the supporters: "If the Government wants to encourage real big investment in this country which is what we are going to need, it wants to stop dithering around and grasp the opportunities presented by making firm decisions and sticking by them!

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