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NATS / PINS Ref: SG24733 / TR020002

Sent via email: ManstonAirport@planninginspectorate.gov.uk

cc: MOD Defence Infrastructure Organisation

Dear Ms Kopala,

Re-determination of the Application by RiverOak Strategic Partners Limited ("the Applicant") for an Order granting Development Consent for the reopening and development of Manston Airport in Kent.

I refer to the Examining Authority's letter dated 21 October 2021 in respect of the Independent Aviation Assessor's Draft Report.

NATS has no comments on the report, and its position remains unchanged, from that previously communicated in [June 2021](#) and reproduced overleaf.

We trust this clarifies our position and we remain at the Inspector's disposal for any further questions or requests.

Yours faithfully



Mr Sacha Rossi

For and on behalf of NATS En-Route plc

From: ROSSI, Sacha

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Subject: RE: Manston Airport (TR020002) [SG24733]

Dear Sirs,

NATS acknowledges receipt of the re-consultation in respect of the Application referenced above. This is following the Order of the High Court made on 15 February 2021 to quash the decision of the Secretary of State dated 9 July 2020 to grant the application. Since the previous application, NATS's position has not altered from that previously communicated as it has not been made aware of any material changes in respect of the High Resolution Direction Finder (HRDF) aeronautical system and its operation.

While NATS has an extant objection to the Application, it previously worked with the Applicant on a [Statement of Common Ground](#) which has already been submitted to the Inspectorate. NATS will continue to work with both the Applicant and the MOD, who own and operate the HRDF site and who are the primary stakeholder and who are managing the process of identifying a solution.

NATS remains positively engaged with all parties in respect of identifying a suitable way forwards, and it remains at the Inspectorate's disposal for any further requests.

We trust our position is clear and acceptable to the Inspectorate.

Yours Sincerely

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