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Dear Secretary of State

RE: London Gatwick Airport – Northern Runway

I write to reinforce Tourism South East's support and commitment to London Gatwick Airport and the development of the Northern Runway. Tourism South East represents destinations and businesses across the 9 counties of the South East of England. We understand that the Northern Runway proposal represents fundamental growth potential not just to the visitor economy but to the stability, employment and cohesive communities across the region.

The amended proposals from London Gatwick Airport, outlined in the recently submitted letter to the Secretary of State on 24th April, highlight a sustainable route to ensure the Northern Runway can meet passenger demand whilst addressing all the points outlined in the letter from the Secretary of State of 14th February.

In support of the proposed traffic tests ahead of the dual runway use, we believe that this project will provide the necessary confidence for all stakeholders, including the best sustainable growth potential for the region's visitor economy.

We hope that the response to the additional conditions from London Gatwick and the wider support from the region continues to ensure the successful path to the development of the Northern Runway.

Yours sincerely



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