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Our Ref: TR020002
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Dear Sam

Planning Act 2008 and The Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010

Application by RiverOak Strategic Partners for an Order Granting Development Consent for the upgrade and reopening of Manston Airport

Invitation to Issue Specific Hearing on noise

I write on behalf of the Examining Authority (ExA) appointed by the Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government to examine the above application and make recommendations to the Secretary of State for Transport about whether development consent should be granted. The statutory six month examination of the application began on 10 January 2019 and must close on 9 July 2019.

The ExA today provided notice to Interested Parties and others about hearings that will take place in March 2019¹. This suite of hearings includes an Issue Specific Hearing (ISH) dealing with noise. The ExA considers that ICCAN's participation at this hearing could have significant value in the examination of this application.

On that basis, please treat this correspondence as our formal invitation to ICCAN to attend the ISH on noise commencing at **10.00am on Friday 22 March 2019**.

I would be most grateful if, **on or before 8 March 2019**, ICCAN could contact the Planning Inspectorate's Case Manager for this application (Richard Price²) to either accept or decline our invitation. If required, Mr Price can provide advice to ICCAN in respect of the Planning Act 2008 process and/or signpost relevant evidence in the application documents and representations received to date.

We look forward to receiving your confirmation in due course.

¹ Notice enclosed

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Yours sincerely

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