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Dear Sirs

It is with alarm that I read the latest responses from the applicant regarding the night time noise quota (QC).

A QC budget limits the number of flights and also encourages those flights to be quieter. Without a QC budget, RSP can allow as many flights between 2300 and 0600 as long as they pretend that they are late and not scheduled. This is exactly what happened before when Infratil was operating the airport. With alarming regularity planes would arrive during the night from east Africa, always around the same time. Which as far as I am concerned indicates a regular flight disguised as a late arrival.

Under the present proposal from RSP there is nothing to stop them doing the same.

A late arrival is NOT captured by the scheduled, chartered, timetabled, etc. The airport could not schedule a flight for 0100 but it could let it in if it were scheduled for 2230 and it was late. With no QC budget and no ATM cap they could do this every night as often as they liked.

A normal airport would have an ATM limit for the night AND a QC budget for the night, so that we would know the max number of flights that we would get AND the operator is incentivised to have quieter planes.

What's on the table now is a nightmare for people living under the flightpath – planes coming in all night if they are “late” and planes as noisy as QC4 coming in until 0600, then departures and arrivals from [0600-0700](#), supposedly limited by 2000 QC points but that is a huge budget for that one hour.

I respectfully request that this will not be accepted in the DCO as it would makes Manston a possible airport for night arrivals not accepted or allowed elsewhere.

I respectfully request that you will endorse a QC of 0, a complete ban which specifically says that there will be no arrivals and no departures, between 2300 and 0700.

And I respectfully remind you that emergency and humanitarian flights do not count towards a QC anyway so that will be not an impediment to those flights landing.

Yours sincerely
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