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Dear Examiners

I write again to express my concerns about the Applicant's plans for night flights. A couple of days ago it was announced that RSP have bought up the site of the closed airport from Stone Hill Park. The following day on BBC Kent Tony Freudmann was interviewed on the breakfast show and continued the mantra we have all heard so many times before "there will be no night flights except for a few late arrivals which would be few and far between" and "There will be no night flights with the exception of emergency, humanitarian and late arrivals."

You cannot reassure people that there will be no night flights when your plans include over 2000 Quota Count even though RSP want us to believe they will only use this in the period between 06:00 and 07:00 (which is bad enough). Why they believe they have the right to impinge on the international night time period which is 23:00 to 07:00 is yet another way they are showing complete disrespect for those residents who live under the flight path. If you allow them to have a Quota Count then that effectively allows them to have as many chartered night flights as they wish all under the guise of 'late arrivals' (almost all cargo flights are chartered which is why Mr Freudmann and Sir Roger Gale continue to 'reassure' residents that there will be no scheduled night flights. Please Examiners, if RSP really don't want night flights then they do not need a Quota Count included in the DCO and for the sake of the thousands living under the flight path of this airport, please do not let them fool you like they try to fool others. You can do this by ensuring they have ZERO Quota Count. NB: I know you are aware that any emergency or humanitarian flights do not require to be included in any Quota Count.

When the airport was open before there was night flights and when the many complaints were made we were told any number of excuses such as 'that it was too hot to take off in Africa and the goods have a short shelf life'!

Finally, I remember living through night flights flying over my home when the airport was operating before. These flights made my house shake from the vibration coming from the planes, it woke me every time with a shock, sending my heart racing and trying to get back to sleep was almost impossible. Once more I ask that you deny RSP any Quota Count so that there really are no night flights.

Thank you for your time and hard work.

Best wishes

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