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Dear Planning Inspectorate

We are writing once again to express our dismay at the prospect of a cargo hub being established at Manston Airport via a DCO. We have previously set out our reasons for objecting to this proposed development, which even its originators admit will cause 'significant adverse effects' to quality of life in Ramsgate. Nothing the applicants have said or done during the examination process has allayed our fears - indeed, their refusal to produce information repeatedly requested by you and by members of the community and their dismissive attitude throughout to residents' concerns have exacerbated them.

In the short time available since your last deadline, there has not been time for us to read in detail such responses to your last set of questions as have finally been wrested out of the applicants, but everything we have seen increases our concerns. RSP make light of the noise contours commissioned by No Night Flights and Five10Twelve Ltd, despite these having been drawn up by no less a body than the Civil Aviation Authority. They propose derisory compensation for a tiny number of houses immediately adjacent to the flight path. They ignore the concerns of the MoD and housebuilders Cogent, make light of the environmental damage they propose to inflict, appear unaware of any requirement for public safety zones and propose to cut a swathe through Ramsgate's burgeoning tourist industry without a backward glance.

Perhaps most concerningly, they continue to insist there will be no 'planned' or 'scheduled' night flights, while apparently attempting to bargain with the ExA about late arrivals - and at the same time assert that from now on they will deal direct with the Secretary of State! We are therefore adding our names to the proforma expression of grave concern about late arrivals copied below.

We have been shocked by RSP's behaviour throughout this examination. Everything we have seen of them strongly suggests to us that they are not fit and proper people to run a corner shop, let alone a project of major national importance. We urge you once again to reject the DCO application.

Regards  
Patricia Austin  
Secretary  
Ramsgate Town Team

Dear PINS,

We write as deeply worried local residents about the Manston Airport DCO.

We refer to the Applicant's Answers to Fourth Written Questions dated 29/06/19 (TR020002/D9/FWQ Examination Document).

At Ns 4.10, under the heading Quota Count Night Time, the Applicant says:

“ The applicant is therefore willing to reduce the quota count to 2000 (365\*5 being 1825), but this would be on the basis that late-arriving, emergency and humanitarian flights would be excluded from that total. If they are to be included as at present, then the Applicant would wish to keep the original figure of 3028.”

Applicant's Response: The NMP (at TR020002/D9/2.4) has been amended to reflect this, at paragraph 1.8.

If the Examining Authority allows this, it will be exposing the local residents to the threat of an unlimited number of night flights.

There would be nothing to stop the Applicant from allowing “late” arrivals to land at any time, at any noise level, between 2300 and 0600. This has never been consulted on, nor has it been modelled by the Applicant and presented for examination to the Examining Authority.

This has the potential to be extremely damaging to residents' health, well-being and the local economy. It is completely and utterly unacceptable.

We therefore wish to object to the Examining Authority allowing the Applicant's suggestion at Ns.4.10 to remain in the Noise Mitigation Plan for the Manston Airport DCO.

The Applicant has consistently said to the public that it does not need night flights and that there will be no night flights. Let us hold the Applicant to that in the clearest possible terms in the Noise Mitigation Plan and in the draft DCO: no flights, scheduled, chartered, or otherwise labelled, late or on time, between 2300 and 0700.