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Find below my response to the Secretary of State and my further representation.

I have lived on Nethercourt for a very long time and it was awful when it was a smaller airfield but what is being proposed is totally different. It will be unbearable for me to remain living in my present home, I have COPD and since the airport closed my breathing has become more manageable, I can sit in my garden in peace and relax. Previously when flights went overhead I could not even have a conversation in my own home. Effects have been underestimated because of the methods used for the modelling of this application.

Various studies prove that aircraft noise significantly impairs health and cardiovascular disease especially among older people living near airports.

PINS thoroughly investigated RSP on all aspects and came to the conclusion that this DCO should be declined. I then fail to understand why the Secretary of State decided to ignore that recommendation. Ramsgate is the wrong area to have an airport, the road links are non existent as was proved with Operation Stack, the traffic was horrendous and the roads were left in a terrible state due to the amount of trucks using small roads not built for them.

I can see absolutely no reason to overturn the recommendation of PINS.

Kind Regards

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