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To: Harrold, George; Gatwick Airport
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Dear George,

As we informally notified yesterday, due to an administrative error, we only identified on Friday 9th Feb that we had not yet erected site/public notices of the forthcoming hearings in compliance with Rule 13(6) of the Infrastructure Planning (Examination Procedure) Rules 2010. This was corrected, and site/public notices were erected on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> February within the vicinity of the airport. A further set of site/public notices were erected on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> February, providing 19 days' notice of the commencement of the Hearings; however, we are conscious this will be less than the 21 days required.

I can confirm that notice was published in local newspapers the Crawley Observer on 31<sup>st</sup> January, the County Times and Surrey Mirror on 1<sup>st</sup> February, and the Kent and Sussex Courier on 2<sup>nd</sup> February, providing more than 21 days' notice. In view of the publicity afforded by this range of advertisements (as well as coverage in relation to the Project more generally) and that 19 days' notice will still be provided pursuant to the site/public notices ahead of the first Open Floor Hearing (and commensurately more notice for the hearing days which follow), we do not believe parties have credibly been prejudiced in their ability to be made aware of and participate in the hearings. As such, we would respectfully request and be most grateful if the ExA could direct that we are able to provide less than 21 days' notice of the hearings in respect of the site/public notices required pursuant to Rule 13(6)(a) and (b).

Please let me know if you require any further information in relation to the above, and I apologise for any inconvenience this causes.

Kind regards,

Jonathan Deegan

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