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HOUSE OF COMMONS

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Dear Constituent,

A Response to the Heathrow Expansion Campaign

I fully support the UK Government's decision to build a new runway at Heathrow. This expansion will deliver a boost of up to £74 billion to the economy, and ensure the UK maintains its position as a global leader in aviation. Both Heathrow and the UK Government made commitments that the expansion would be to Scotland's benefit, and I now expect them to deliver on this promise.

The UK Government will ensure that there are 200 extra flights to Scotland every week as a result of the expansion, which will deliver a huge boost to the Scottish economy through better business links and increased tourism. The third runway project could secure as many as 16,000 jobs in Scotland, and Heathrow has also committed to base a logistics hub, resulting in around 100 new jobs, in Scotland.

The Government has gone to great lengths to listen to local concerns about Heathrow expansion. There will be a legally enforceable ban on scheduled night flights for 6.5 hours, an hour longer than the current ban, and a world class package of £2.6 billion of compensation and mitigation measures will be made available to those most affected. I want to assure you that development consent will only be granted if the Government is satisfied that UK air quality obligations are not breached. Ministers have also assured me that expansion can be delivered within the UK's climate change obligations.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Alister Jack'.

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