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**The Hon Michael McCormack MP**  
**Deputy Prime Minister**  
**Minister for Infrastructure and Transport**  
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Canberra ACT 2600, Australia

### **Western Sydney Airport Lacks Helicopter, Business General Aviation and Corporate Jet Aviation facilities**

Deputy Prime Minister,

I write to you on behalf of the Aircraft Owners and Pilots Association of Australia seeking to highlight planning concerns regarding infrastructure deficiencies with the new \$5 billion Western Sydney Airport, which at this time has;

- a. No provision for helicopter operations or parking;
- b. No provision for business general aviation operations or parking; and
- c. No provision for corporate/jet operations or parking.

The Western Sydney Airport Plan, published in December of 2016, makes clear that the focus of the airport site is for domestic and international airline operations only. Australia's helicopters, business general aviation and corporate jet sectors are all significant contributors to the nation's aviation industry and must be assured access to the new airport site.

A link to the plan is below:

[https://www.westernsydneyairport.gov.au/sites/default/files/Western\\_Sydney\\_Airport\\_Plan.pdf](https://www.westernsydneyairport.gov.au/sites/default/files/Western_Sydney_Airport_Plan.pdf)

AOPA Australia has confirmed that a range of concerns regarding the lack of facilities for helicopters, business general aviation and corporate jet aviation have been raised across the past 3 years, with no action taken to rectify or remedy.

It is vital that the Western Sydney Airport include access and appropriate infrastructure to accommodate helicopters, business general aviation and corporate jets.

If a confirmation receipt of this letter could please be provided, it would be greatly appreciated. Thank you for your time.

Yours Sincerely,

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