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Committee Secretary
Senate Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee
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Parliament House
Canberra ACT 2600

Dear Sir/Madam,

Wilson Residents and Ratepayers Association Submission on the 'Effectiveness of Airservices Australia's management of aircraft noise.' - January, 2010

During the past three to four years our members have not registered any major concerns on how effective the management of air craft noise over the Wilson area has been handled.

However, whilst many instances of loud air craft noise have been noted during this period, the frequency of these occurrences has been low and normally occurred during the daylight hours of 7:00 am to 7:00 pm, with limited instances, when the roar of late night / early morning (2:30 – 6:30 am) from international and domestic flights, have been disruptive to residents within our area.

In making this submission, our Committee has ignored a temporary but annoying increase in aircraft noise during the past month, which we understand, is scheduled to continue through February 2010, due to planned maintenance requirements at Perth Airport.

The Committee, therefore, do not see the necessity to lodge comment /complaint with regard to the effectiveness of Airservices Australia's management of aircraft noise during the past 3 – 4 years.

We accept that in the future, as in the past few years, that there is a need for flexibility in the routing of aircraft over residential areas. **However, we would not like to see a return to the unacceptable levels and frequency of aircraft noise that was experienced over our residential area during the early half of the past decade.**



Due to growth and increasing demand, future increases in the size / weight of the commercial aircraft into and out of the Perth airport, and the planned increase in the size and frequency of aircraft operation out of the Jandakot airport, serious consideration needs to be given by Airservices Australia's management to restrict noise emissions from aircraft and clearly define the future flight paths for all aircraft to and from these airports.

Continual expansion of airports throughout the world, combined with the constant creep of residential areas around airports, has been a major problem that appears to be beyond control of the Town Planners. In future greater emphasis will need to be placed on the development of effective aircraft noise emission controls by the Aircraft Manufacturers or, alternatively, the introduction of remote area landing strip, developed for use at times that the defined runways cannot be used due to curfews that may have to be placed, during the next 10 years, on the hours that these airports will be permitted to operate.

Yours sincerely

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