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Clerk to Subcommittee to Follow Up Issues Relating
to the Three-runway System at the Hong Kong
International Airport Legislative Council Secretariat
Legislative Council Complex
1 Legislative Council Road
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Dear Sir,

We write to express our support for the Third Runway System at Hong Kong International Airport. Our association comprises of 21 member companies, employing over 20,000 people at the airport that provide ground-handling, catering, cargo terminal, fuelling and maintenance services to all flights operating in and out of Hong Kong.

Hong Kong International Airport is rightly known throughout the aviation industry as being one of the world's most efficient and user-friendly airports. It is something that we in Hong Kong should be proud of having, embodying all that Hong Kong stands for : efficient, modern, convenient and reliable.

Looking to the future, it is indisputable that air traffic will only grow further throughout the Asia Pacific Region. Hong Kong now has to decide whether or not to be part of that exciting growth path, which will undoubtedly bring more secure jobs and economic growth to the territory. Without a third runway, we will very quickly fall behind other cities, both in the Pearl River Delta and in South-East Asia, which are already expanding their capacity far faster than us.

This is something we simply cannot afford to do. Hong Kong is the world's busiest cargo airport and handles over 60 million passengers a year, making it the envy of other airports across the region. Our association believes that without the Third Runway System Hong Kong will quickly lose its current competitive advantage in the region and we therefore strongly support the project in its entirety.

Yours sincerely,

David Walker
President

