



15 APR 2009

Mr Stephen Byron
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Dear Stephen,

The Canberra Convention Bureau Board would like its support of the airport master plan noted. A high standard of all airport related activity is critical to a destination's competitive position in the business event market. With a view to increasing Canberra's competitive position, we also strongly support the proposed improvement to terminal facilities, increased frequency of domestic flights - operated by a diverse range of carriers - and the introduction of international flights.

Canberra as a business event destination does not currently rate as well, in the area of air access and associated facilities, as it could. To this end we welcome the introduction of the proposed new services. Canberra's current status as a non-curfewed airport should also be maintained. This is important to business people as flights are able to arrive and depart even when they have been delayed for reasons such as bad weather.

In summary, any slow-down in the growth of Canberra's aviation operations would be detrimental to our members' business objectives, as well as Canberra's ability to host meaningful and consequential events.

We look forward to Canberra's development being supported by international standard aviation services.

Yours sincerely



Robyn Hendry
Chief Executive
Canberra Convention Bureau



Steve Gower
Chair
Canberra Convention Bureau Board