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Dear

### **Noise restrictions commencing Summer 18**

I am writing to you to advise that following a breach of the night time contour limit in 2017 we are having to take drastic action to curb our noise footprint with effect from this summer.

The permitted night-time noise contour was exceeded at night in Summer 2017, not because of planned or scheduled movements but because of late running arrivals and unfortunately we are not permitted to remove these from the actual assessment.

Without intervention, and allowing for continued pro-rata late running operations, our forecasts predict that the permitted noise contour footprint at night will again be exceeded in 2018 through to 2021 and possibly beyond, despite the expected increasing participation of next generation aircraft. We are therefore implementing the following measures with immediate effect for Summer 2018 and every subsequent Summer until further notice;

- No ad hoc movements will be permitted including Commercial, GA and Maintenance between 2200-0559 GMT 1<sup>st</sup> June – 30<sup>th</sup> September
- No further night slots will be allocated to series flights 2200-0559 GMT 1<sup>st</sup> June – 30<sup>th</sup> September
- No re-scheduling of existing allocated slots will be permitted from the day time 0600-2159 GMT into the night time 2200-0559 GMT 1<sup>st</sup> June – 30<sup>th</sup> September
- No “non-emergency” Diverted Flights will be accepted 2200-0559 GMT 1<sup>st</sup> June – 30<sup>th</sup> September
- For Summer 2019 and all subsequent seasons no aircraft with a value greater than QC1 will be permitted to operate in the night-time period.

In terms of the daytime noise contour limit we are expecting to reach that in Summer 2018 however, we are expecting a decrease in future years with the participation of next generation aircraft. In order to protect any breach of the daytime contour this year we will be applying the following measures with immediate effect;

- No further day time slots will be allocated to aircraft greater than QC1 0600-2159 GMT 1<sup>st</sup> June – 30<sup>th</sup> September
- No equipment changes will be permitted on existing allocated slots that would involve replacing an aircraft with a QC value of 1 or less with an aircraft with a QC value greater than 1 0600-2159 GMT 1<sup>st</sup> June – 30<sup>th</sup> September

- No “non-emergency” Diverted Flights will be accepted 0600-2159 GMT 1<sup>st</sup> June – 30<sup>th</sup> September will be accepted

It is with great regret that we have to apply these restrictions and understand the impact that this will have, however we must work within the legal limits that are attached to our planning approval.

Members of the LLA team will be in touch shortly to arrange visits to discuss these restrictions in more detail if you wish.

Yours sincerely  
Neil Thompson  
Operations Director