

March 3rd, 2015

Mr. Randall Meade
Executive Director, Canada Transportation Act Review Secretariat
350 Albert Street, Suite 330
Ottawa, ON K1A 0N5

Re: OMCIAA Submission under CTA Review

Dear Mr. Meade:

This letter is to confirm that the Ottawa International Airport Authority's Board of Directors has unanimously endorsed all twenty-one recommendations contained in the CAC submission entitled 'Connecting Canada: An Aviation Policy Agenda for Global Competitiveness and Economic Prosperity', a copy of which has been provided to the CTA Secretariat. As you will recall, we had the opportunity to discuss these priorities with members of the review panel on January 26th, 2015.

The Ottawa International Airport Authority would like to highlight the recommendation relating to effective and efficient screening, which need to be addressed in the short term and prior to 2017.

We also feel strongly that having progressive air policy liberalization will bring many benefits to the traveling public by offering more services to more destinations at a lower cost. We therefore support new aviation policy that expands aviation and tourism market opportunities and increase choices for the air travellers. Progressive air policy may also have the benefit of introducing a more competitive market and lead to more competitive fares to the consumer.

Like other large Canadian and global airports, it is vital for airport users to have multimodal transportation connections between YOW's passenger terminal and downtown Ottawa. This is important for Ottawa residents who travel, visitors to the region, and airport campus employees. Any time the Government of Canada receives a funding request for urban rail transit infrastructure near or bypassing a major national asset such as an airport, it is our recommendation that federal funding for such projects be contingent on the provision of a direct urban rail transit connection with the airport terminal.

Yours truly,



Mark Laroche
President & CEO