Dear Mr Nunn,


Biggin Hill Airport, West Camp, Main Road, Biggin Hill, TN16 3ED

I refer to the copy of the above planning application, which was received from you on 27 May 2011. On 29 June 2011 the Mayor considered a report on this proposal, reference PDU/0074b/01. A copy of the report is attached, in full. This letter comprises the statement that the Mayor is required to provide under Article 4(2) of the Order.

The Mayor considers that whilst the application is generally acceptable in strategic planning terms, the application does not comply with the London Plan, for the reasons set out in paragraph 33 of the above-mentioned report; but that the possible remedies set out in paragraph 34 of this report could address these deficiencies.

In addition to the representations outlined in the attached report, the Mayor raised specific concerns that the erection of a replacement hangar at the West Camp would only be likely to be acceptable if it does not lead to an overall increase in aircraft movements above the existing agreed limit for the airport. Notwithstanding paragraph 30 of the report, the Mayor requested that this application be referred back to him should the local planning authority determine to approve.

If your Council subsequently resolves to grant permission on the application, it must consult the Mayor again under Article 5 of the Order and allow him fourteen days to decide whether to allow the draft decision to proceed unchanged, or direct the Council under Article 6 to refuse the application. You should therefore send me a copy of any representations made in respect of the application, and a copy of any officer’s report, together with a statement of the decision your authority proposes to make, a statement of any conditions the authority proposes to impose and (if
applicable) a draft of any planning obligation it proposes to enter into and details of any proposed planning contribution.

If your Council resolves to refuse permission it need not consult the Mayor again (pursuant to Article 5(2) of the Order), and your Council may therefore proceed to determine the application without further reference to the GLA. However, you should still send a copy of the decision notice to the Mayor, pursuant to Article 5 (3) of the Order.

Please note that the Transport for London case officer for this application is , telephone 020 7126 4833.

Yours sincerely,

[Signature]

pp Giles Dolphin
Assistant Director - Planning

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