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UPDATE ON OLYMPIC AVIATION TRAFFIC – EXPECTATIONS FOR LONDON 2012

Following my trip to Beijing I have some information which may be of help for your planning towards 2012. I am still waiting for the data of actual movements from our Beijing office (dates / types / numbers etc.) but a total figure of 1000 aircraft during the Olympic period in Beijing has been mentioned with the peak day showing 300 arrivals.

In order to avoid falling short of the expectations of those arriving into the UK by corporate / general aviation aircraft during the London 2012 games we need to consider seriously the following items.

We need to plan on accommodating in excess of 1000 GA movements for the Olympic period in the London area, this will be in addition to the “normal” GA activities associated with keeping UK PLC running.

GA activity will operate H24 during Olympic period. London currently has only one truly accessible H24 airport for GA aircraft.

We must push for an increase on the annual capped movements allowed at both Northolt and Farnborough for the Olympic period.

The cap of three “large” GA aircraft allowed to overnight at Heathrow must be increased during the Olympic period. The night noise quotas at London airports, along with increased access by GA aircraft to slot allocation (including night noise quotas), during the Olympic period needs to be reviewed.

We must look at laying and gaining access to additional aircraft parking stands to accommodate in the region of 500 aircraft throughout the London area. In keeping with the “green” targets for London 2012 we must ensure that needless repositioning of aircraft once here is kept to an absolute minimum. Any location used for airport repositioning has to have sufficient infrastructure (incl. Suitable hotels) to accommodate increase in traffic.

With London 2012 following the Farnborough Airshow 2012, which itself follows Wimbledon 2012, we are in for one very busy summer period, any and all works to accommodate 2012 program for GA activities need to be up and running no later than Easter 2012, this gives us a little over three years to get this right. We also have the little issue of Euro 2012 held in Poland and the Ukraine which starts in July, if England actually qualify this time we can expect high levels of traffic connected with this also. Summer 2012 will be a very busy year for GA activity in the UK.

Wishing you all the best for the group and it's future – BBGA will be represented by John Robinson at future meetings.

Regards

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