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Subject: Future of Australia's Aviation Sector

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\f0Dear Sir/Madam,

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\f0Further to your request for submissions regarding the Future of Australia's Aviation Sector I would like to offer a submission on behalf of my company Australian Corporate Jet Centres Pty Ltd. Australian Corporate Jet Centres is Australia's largest Corporate Jet Charter and Management company. We are the only fully owned Australian entity that supports flight operations and maintenance for all aircraft and helicopter types.

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\f0As an Australian owned company we require future assistance and support in the wake of COVID and a slowing economy. The best Government support is utilising Australian owned/operated companies to undertake operations on behalf of the Government for Aerial support activities. For far too long the Government has given preference to foreign owned entities to undertake operations including Search and Rescue, Aerial Fire Fighting, Departmental Passenger Transport, Air Ambulance/Police and Maintenance.

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\f0Our company (as do others) have the capability to work with Government to build an Australian owned/run aerial appliance and service operation where all staff, support and any profit is retained in Australia. Our company has a buy Australian policy and invest in technology and component development in this country.

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\f0Australian Corporate Jet Centres is listed on the Victoria State Government Panel of Providers (Aviation), Australian Maritime and Safety Authority provider and we just got accepted on the Defence Panel (Aviation). All of these government departments are using foreign entities for the majority of their aviation needs with no major contracts awarded to local operators. All we ask is for support, a chance to grow our businesses, hire more staff and have satisfaction that an Australian owned/operated company is operating on behalf of our Government.

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\f0On a side note, we welcomed news that the Victorian State Government and Federal Government yesterday (28th of October 2020) offered its full support to Bombardier (Canada) to a \$20,000,000.00 facility and base at Essendon Airport. My company has 4 facilities at Essendon Airport and we just invested \$4,000,000.00 of our own money to expand our maintenance, Air Ambulance and Charter/Management capabilities. This was all done with no fan fare or government support and we are an Australian company, it's very frustrating when Australia's largest Corporate Jet operator doesn't even get support to hire and keep jobs/money in Australia.

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\f0I would welcome the opportunity to meet and discuss my submission further and assist on any panel requirements.

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\f0Regards,

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