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*By email*

**Re: W26 Draft Decision on Coordination Parameters**

Dear Sir/Madam,

We refer to the above IAA draft decision dated 8 April 2026 on the Winter 2026 coordination parameters at Dublin Airport (the “**Draft Decision**”).

We are writing to express our agreement with the main elements of the Draft Decision, namely (i) proposed additional runway and terminal capacity, (ii) not taking account of the 32mppa passenger cap in light of the High Court injunction granted on 2 April 2025 in the judicial review proceedings brought by Ryanair, Aer Lingus, and Airlines For America regarding the IAA applying a PATM seat cap as a coordination parameter and, (iii) not taking account of the annual night movement cap set out in the An Coimisiún Pleanála decision dated 16 July 2025, given the finding by the European Commission on 10 February 2026 that the annual night movement cap failed to comply with the “balanced approach” contrary to Articles 5(3)(a) – (c) of Regulation (EU) No 598/2014.

The additional runway and terminal capacity proposed in the Draft Decision is a necessary and welcome development. It aligns with the national aviation policy and supports the growth and connectivity objectives of Dublin Airport. The increased capacity will enhance operational efficiency, reduce delays, and improve the overall passenger experience. We consider this development as crucial for maintaining Dublin Airport's status as a key gateway to Ireland and for supporting the island economy.

In conclusion, we support the Draft Decision regarding runway and terminal capacity, and we urge the IAA to adopt these measures in the final decision.

Yours sincerely,



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