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Secretary General

20th June, 2018

Dear Madam

Subject: Stakeholder Comments on Consultation Paper No 06/2018-19

This is with reference to the consultation paper No. 6 dtd 29th May'2018 In the matter of Determination of Aeronautical Tariffs in respect of Indira Gandhi International Airport, Delhi with respect to Base Airport Charges for the Second Control Period (01.04.2014 to 31.03.2019). The Authority in the said consultation paper has recognised the concession terms awarded by Government of India with regard to allowing DIAL to maintain minimum aeronautical charges equivalent to BAC + 10% of BAC in any year during the concession term.

The ASSOCHAM, as an industry body appreciates Authority's approach in giving due consideration of the concession agreement awarded by Government of India. This will strengthen the spirit of the concession awarded by Government of India and also establish the fact that the contractual rights are supreme. From the perspective of an Industry Association we at ASSOCHAM feel this is a step in right direction and it will be sending positive signals to the domestic as well as international investor at a time when Government is looking for a greater participation in the creation of Airport Infrastructure in the years to come. This will be a great support for Delhi Airport which has seen a sharp decline in its aeronautical charges recently resulted in significant drop in aero revenue.

Delhi Airport plays a pivotal role in overall economy. The traffic here is growing by double digit growth and we understand the current infrastructure is reaching to its saturation and hence it is due to next phase of expansion. The minimum tariff will support DIAL in carrying sustainable operations at Delhi Airport.

Further, it is noteworthy that the Authority's approach will surely strengthen Government of India vision of ease of doing business and send positive signals over investor community in attracting investment towards Aviation Industry in India, which is the need of the hour.

Thanking you with warm regards.

Yours sincerely,


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