

The Honourable Steven MacKinnon, P.C., M.P.
Minister of Transport

Re: Congratulations on behalf of the Canadian Business Aviation Association

Dear Minister MacKinnon,

On behalf of the Canadian Business Aviation Association (CBAA), I would like to congratulate you on your appointment as the Minister of Transport and wish you every success in this important role.

CBAA represents Canada's business aviation sector, a vital part of our national economy and a strategic asset that connects communities, drives investment, and sustains a world-class aerospace cluster. Our members operate more than 1,500 aircraft that reach every corner of the country, supporting 53,600 high quality jobs, generating \$17.9 billion in total economic impact, and anchoring an industry whose exports exceeded \$13 billion in 2024. Business aviation is also a lifeline for remote and Indigenous communities, provides rapid emergency response, and enables the movement of skilled workers and equipment to projects that underpin Canada's prosperity.

As your government advances its economic and fiscal agenda in the next few months, we see an opportunity to strengthen the sector's contributions by working together on several key priorities:

- **Removing the luxury tax on aircraft**, which has reduced competitiveness and threatened domestic jobs.
- **Introducing accelerated depreciation for business aircraft**, aligning Canada with U.S. policy and encouraging fleet renewal.
- **Modernizing business aviation regulations and expanding delegated partnerships**, to reduce red tape while maintaining safety.
- **Improving affordability and access at Canada's airports**, to strengthen interprovincial connectivity and trade.

I would welcome the opportunity to meet with you at your convenience to discuss these priorities and how business aviation can support your mandate.

In the meantime, if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Thank you,

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