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By email: vance.badawey@parl.gc.ca

Dear Parliamentary Secretary Badawey,

On behalf of the Canadian Business Aviation Association (CBAA), I wish to extend our warmest congratulations on your appointment as Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Transport. We wish you well as you take on this incredibly important role.

As you continue to work to support the interests of all Canadians, and as you have in your previous roles, including as the Chair of the House of Commons Standing Committee on Transportation, CBAA very much looks forward to working alongside you – especially in the work that you and your colleagues will undertake in developing the policies and programs that will deliver strong economic growth and make Canada's aviation the safest, most sustainable, and competitive industry globally.

As you might know, CBAA Canada's voice for business aviation. Since its inception, CBAA has assumed an increasing role in its advocacy for Canadian business aviation interests. Our industry contributes \$17.9 billion annually to the economy; with a membership of approximately 400 companies and organizations, including operators, management companies and suppliers, CBAA represents the entire business aviation community with a unified and collective voice.

You might also know that CBAA is a signatory of the government's Aviation Climate Action Plan. CBAA looks forward to working alongside the Government of Canada to ensure that Canada can achieve its vision of netzero aircraft emissions by 2050. By joining forces, the aviation industry can focus on developing more sustainable and fuel-efficient engines, technologies, and practices while reducing emissions and improving efficiency. This could improve the industry's competitiveness and help it remain a crucial component of Canada's transportation infrastructure. Promoting the adoption of these practices would bring clear benefits, including a reduction in operating costs for airlines, an improvement in energy efficiency, and improved environmental sustainability.

We look forward to collaborating with you and your team. We would very much appreciate the opportunity to meet with you at your convenience to discuss your priorities, CBAA's current work, and how we can benefit all Canadians.

Sincerely,

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