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THE PRIME MINISTER

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Dear Greg

I am sorry that you are resigning from Her Majesty's Government, but understand your desire to honour the promise you made to your constituents at the last General Election.

The Government is committed to expanding airport capacity at Heathrow: this is an important decision which will play a crucial role in securing the future of Global Britain. I understand, however, that this is an issue which raises concerns for some of your constituents, and you have been consistent in making their views and yours known on this matter. I know that you have reached this decision after careful consideration.

You leave Government with a record of which you can be proud: serving with great ability and distinction under David Cameron as Deputy Chief Whip and Chief Secretary to Her Majesty's Treasury and, since I became Prime Minister, as Minister of State at the Department for International Trade and Minister for London. You have been an energetic champion for the people of West London since you were first elected in 2005 – and, indeed, before that during your time on Hammersmith and Fulham Council – and I know that you will continue to serve them faithfully and effectively from the backbenches.

Many thanks for your service to Her Majesty's Government over the past seven years, for your continued support, and for the future contributions you will make.

Yours ever  
Greg Hands

The Right Honourable Greg Hands MP