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Grant Shapps, Secretary of State for Transport, Aviation Policy and Reform Zone 1/25, Great Minster House 33 Horseferry Road, London SW1P 4DR

Ref The Bristol Airport ltd. (Land at A38 and Downside Road) Complulsory Purchase Order (CPO) 2020

Dear Sir,

I am writing to object to this CPO as I live at Redhill, 2 miles from the land proposed for purchase for the following reasons –

The Airport planning application Ref 18P/5118/OUT for expansion from 10 to 12 million passengers per year was rejected by North Somerset Council on 10/2/2020. The airport is appealing this decision. The date for a Public Enquiry has not yet been decided.

The Highways works proposed for Downside Rd and the A38 are primarily to accommodate additional traffic which would be generated by an additional 2 million passengers per year if the appeal is successful. BRISTOL AIRPORT CLEARLY ANTICIPATES THAT THE INSPECTORATE WILL RULE IN ITS FAVOUR OR THERE WOULD BE NO POINT IN THEM SPENDING MONEY ON THIS ROAD WIDENING SCHEME. This is highly suspicious as the appeal is intended to be independent.

To grant permission for this CPO before the appeal is heard would distort the Appeals Process.It is premature in the light of the upcoming Public Enquiry and should be rejected at this time

Yours sincerely

M.F.Hutchison