

Dear [Member of Parliament],

### Speak up for Travel!

I am writing today as the [INSERT ROLE] of [INSERT BUSINESS NAME], to ask you, as my local MP, to attend the upcoming Travel Day of Action, on Wednesday 23 June, taking place from 1pm (after PMQs), to meet with me and others from your constituency to discuss the ongoing challenges facing the travel industry, and the risks to businesses and livelihoods.

I will be joining employees and businesses from across the aviation and travel industries – airlines, airports, tour operators, travel agents, suppliers and partners – who are coming together to raise awareness of the challenges facing the travel industry, and to ask the UK Government reinstate a risk-managed approach around a safe return to international travel in time for the peak summer period and to think again about financial support offered to the sector.

We are calling on the UK Government to:

- **Allow international travel to return safely and in a risk managed way by properly implementing the Global Travel Taskforce’s plan for a traffic-light system**, by expanding the Green list in line with the evidence and making restrictions more proportionate, whilst keeping a strong red list to guard against variants.
- **Bring forward a package of tailored financial support, including extension of furlough support**, recognising that the travel sector’s ability to trade and generate income is much slower than first anticipated and more gradual than for businesses in the domestic economy.

Organisers and supporters of the cross-industry day of action include ABTA, Airlines UK, the Airport Operators Association, BAR UK, UKinbound, the Business Travel Association, IATA, Advantage Travel Partnership and the wider industry under the umbrella Save Future Travel Coalition, alongside unions GMB, Unite, BALPA and Prospect.

We are asking you to Speak Up for Travel now to help to ensure the sector can act as a driving force in the long-term economic recovery of the UK, and I hope you will consider lending your support, by meeting me on 23<sup>rd</sup> June to discuss the challenges that still need to be addressed to save our industry and jobs in travel.

I would be grateful if you could reply to let me know if you can attend, and at what time you would be able to meet with me - on College Green, so we can coordinate the event in a COVID-safe manner.

Yours sincerely,