BCC: Heathrow decision demonstrates UK still open for business

Commenting on the vote to approve expansion at Heathrow Airport, Adam Marshall, Director General of the British Chambers of Commerce (BCC), said:

"Finally! Business has been waiting years for decisive, cross-party action in the national interest — and decades for the expansion of our main gateway to the world.

"Now that Heathrow expansion finally has a green light from Parliament, it must now proceed at pace. The sooner we see diggers in the ground, the sooner this decision will boost business confidence, supply chain companies and trade links around the world.

"Amid growing uncertainty over Brexit, big decisions like this are needed to show our investors and trade partners that the UK remains open for business. Further bold moves on infrastructure, investment and connectivity must follow.

"As Heathrow expands, it must deliver on its promise of better connections to other airports around the UK – so that businesses everywhere can benefit from improved links to key destinations around the world. It is crucial that Heathrow expansion benefits not just London but all corners of the UK."

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Notes to editors:

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