

25 November 2014

Dear Sir/Madam

RE: Provision of Terminal Air Navigation Services (TANS) in the UK: Call for evidence (CAP 1226)

The CAA would like to thank the industry for its engagement to date with matters set out in CAP 1226.

Although the CAA has been able to engage constructively with a number of parties, ongoing litigation in relation to the recent award by Gatwick Airport Limited of its TANS contract to DFS Deutsche Flugsicherung has affected the CAA's ability to gather useful information for the purposes of assessing market conditions in relation to a large part of the market.

For this reasons, the CAA has requested from the Department for Transport (DfT) an extension to the deadline for its report. The DfT had asked for the CAA's advice by the end of February 2015. The DfT has now granted the CAA an extension until no more than 3 months following the judgement in the current litigation.

The CAA intends to publish a revised timetable for the delivery of its advice to the DfT as soon as possible after judgment is handed down in the NATS v GAL case. In the meantime the CAA considers that gathering of evidence in relation to other aspects of the market is unaffected by the ongoing litigation.

Regards

William Webster

Head of Competition and Markets