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Chairperson, Committee on Transportation
House of Representatives
Quezon City

Thru: Transportation Committee Secretary Antonia G. Gil

Dear Chairperson Sarmiento:

We would like to inform you that Sen. Sonny Angara has filed Senate Bill 2313, entitled “AN ACT STRENGTHENING THE CIVIL AVIATION AUTHORITY OF THE PHILIPPINES, AMENDING FOR THE PURPOSE REPUBLIC ACT 9497, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS CIVIL AVIATION AUTHORITY ACT OF 2008.”


This is a counterpart to House Bill 8700, which was heard and approved by your good Committee on March 10.


With the filing of the Senate Bill and the Senate committee deliberations in the foreseeable future, we are optimistic that this important legislation still has very good prospects to advance and be passed in the remaining months of the 18th Congress.

We look forward to the filing of the Committee Report by the House Transportation Committee and early approval of the bill in the House. Meanwhile, we will advocate to the Senate that it likewise hear and approve SB 2313.

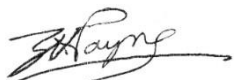
The passage of the legislation may provide remedy to problems recently reported by the Commission on Audit related to CAAP’s poor performance in completing projects which have deprived the public of the prompt use or benefit that could have been derived from their timely completion.

Thank you very much and best regards,



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