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Dear Minister

I note the submission date has expired however I have a very important suggestion.

I have over 10000 hours flying experience across Military and Civilian aviation. I have extensive experience in all forms or aviation safety.

I feel it is in the interests of our aviation sector that an enquiry of the standard of a Royal Commission be done into the culture of the large airlines right down to that of the smaller ones and their very close relationship with Casa. Many airlines today have a horrible employee culture and with mental health becoming increasingly important, I think this should be at the forefront of aviation safety.

Within the civilian regulation, Casa has allowed too many holes to develop....some have already led to accidents (Who in Casa signed off on the overlapping arrival/ departure procedure of Sea World helicopters?). There are potential disasters to happen, notably in the design of some airfields (example the danger of reciprocal runway heading at Sunshine Coast Airport with major terrain in the no circling area and reciprocal runway heading confusion under high workload and lack of familiarity and situational awareness). The Sunshine Coast runway heading design should never have been authorised due to its inability to consider the Swiss cheese model of accident causation. There is very good reason there are not many runways in the world of 13/31 or 02/20, with dangerous no circling areas, due to the increased possibility of confusion and therefore catastrophic accident.

It's these examples above that are just a few of the reasons that I see a Royal Commission is required into our Aviation sector to keep it secure and protect our incredible safety record into the future.

Regards

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