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Ein cyf/Our ref: FM/00493/13

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Petitions Committee  
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Dear William,

I am writing in response to your letter dated 24 April following the submission of a petition, to the Petitions Committee, about Cardiff Airport by Madeline Thornton.

The Welsh Government undertook an independent due diligence report to ensure all aspects surrounding the purchase of Cardiff Airport were fully considered. On completion of this report the Welsh Government, via a holding company, acquired the share holding of the airport.

We have published three underpinning documents from the advice we received on our website, which can be accessed through the following link:  
<http://wales.gov.uk/topics/transport/public/air/cardairport/?lang=en>

Cardiff Airport is a vital gateway to Wales for business, tourists and general travellers alike. As such, the securing of the airports future will benefit Wales as a whole.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Carwyn Jones', written in a cursive style.

**CARWYN JONES**