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ANSWER TO QUESTION TAKEN ON NOTICE DURING PUBLIC HEARINGS

Asked by Jo Clay MLA on 26 July 2023: Andrew Barr MLA took on notice the following question(s):

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In relation to: Canberra Airport MOU.

Ms Clay: Thank you, Chair.

We have heard some information from the Canberra Airport. They announced in 2020 that they had an MOU under development with the ACT government. And we sort of had a look around, and we could not see that MOU. So I am just wondering, is there an MOU with ACT government and the airport since the 2015 one?

Mr Barr: Well there certainly is a partnership in relation to aviation. But are you talking more broadly than aviation?

MS CLAY: Well there was a 2015 MOU, and that was public. And then in 2020, they said they were developing another MOU. But then we did not see one. So I am just wondering is there another MOU? And if so, is it published?

Mr Kobus: Johnathan Kobus, Executive Branch Manager, for Visit Canberra. I have read and understand the privilege statement.

Visit Canberra works closely with Canberra Airport on a range of projects including aviation development. We do that on a project-by-project basis. We do not have, through my area, a MOU with Canberra Airport. And I am not aware of any other MOU that may exist with then, connected to another ACT government department.

Mr Barr: Yes, so the 2015 one would remain in place—

MS CLAY: Yes.

Mr Barr: —I am not aware that there is an update on that at this point. But I will double check. Certainly, I signed the 2015 one—

MS CLAY: Yes.

Mr Barr: I have not signed—

MS CLAY: One since.

Mr Barr: I do not believe so, no.

MS CLAY: Excellent. Thank you.

Andrew Barr MLA: The answer to the Member's question is as follows: –

A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) was signed between the ACT Government and Canberra Airport on 8 April 2015, and remains in place. There have been no further updates.

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Signature: 

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By the Minister for Economic Development, Andrew Barr MLA