

Friday, April 01, 2016

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«Title»«First_Name» «Last_Name»
Member of Parliament for «Constituency»
House of Commons
Ottawa (Ontario) K1A 0A6

Dear «Title»«Greeting» «Last_Name»:

I am writing you as an elector of your constituency and on behalf of the International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers (IAMAW), Transportation District 140. We are the largest air transportation union in Canada.

We are greatly concerned by the tabling of bill C-10, amending the *Air Canada Public Participation Act* to remove Air Canada's statutory obligation to perform its heavy maintenance work at facilities in Montreal, Winnipeg and Mississauga. The IAMAW takes the position that the Vancouver Air Canada maintenance facility is also protected by the ACPPA by default due to the 1999 – 2000 airline merger.

This would allow Air Canada to circumvent the recent decision of the Quebec Court of Appeal on this issue, based only on Air Canada's vague promise to have some of its maintenance work performed in Quebec at some point in the future, if it proceeds with its order to purchase Bombardier C-Series aircraft.

Such an amendment to the Act would be particularly troubling in light of the former federal government's refusal to enforce the provisions of the ACPPA, abandoning this sector and thousands of Canadian workers, and forcing the Quebec and Manitoba governments to litigate the issue.

We urge you not to proceed with any changes to the ACPPA at this time, but to require Air Canada to move ahead immediately and do its part to rebuild the Canadian aircraft maintenance sector. We would be pleased to meet with you at your earliest convenience to discuss this issue further.

Sincerely,

First Name Last Name
Elector of your constituency of «Constituency»