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Dear Sir/Madam,

**Re: Air Navigation and Civil Aviation Amendment (Aircraft Crew) Bill 2011**

The Australian Airline Pilots' Association (AusALPA), which consists of the Australian and International Pilots' Association (AIPA) and the Australian Federation of Air Pilots (AFAP), represents more than 5000 professional pilots within Australia on safety and technical matters.

AusALPA takes an active stake in the Australian aviation industry, participating in inquiries in the Australian Aviation sector and contributing members to various industry forums. AusALPA is also an active member of the global pilot body, the International Federation of Airline Pilots' Association (IFALPA), which represents over 100 000 airline pilots internationally.

At this point in time, AusALPA's views are still in line with Senator Nick Xenophon's submission on the Air Navigation and Civil Aviation Amendment (Aircraft Crew) Bill 2011.

Yours sincerely,

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