

Hon. Pierre Poilievre Leader of the Official Opposition House of Commons Ottawa, ON K1A 0A6

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Dear Hon. Pierre Poilievre,

On behalf of the Canadian Business Aviation Association (CBAA), I wish to extend our most sincere congratulations on your election as leader of the Conservative Party of Canada. We wish you all the best as you take on this incredibly important role, leading the party and leading His Majesty's Official Opposition in the House of Commons.

As you, your Conservative colleagues, and your staff continue to work hard to support the interests of all Canadians, CBAA very much looks forward to working alongside you.

We especially look forward to working with you and your team on ensuring that our federal government is focused on making Canada the most competitive jurisdiction in the world to do business, creating more good-paying and high-skill jobs, and eliminating taxes – for example, the luxury tax on aircraft – that hurt Canada's economy and global reputation.

Business aviation is essential to Canada, keeping our communities connected and our companies competitive. Our industry contributes \$12.1 billion to the Canadian economy every year and our value chain includes manufacturers, suppliers, and operators from coast to coast. We estimate there are more than 1400 business aircraft flying in Canada, covering virtually every square mile of our vast country, and taking us to every corner of the globe, no matter how remote or seemingly inaccessible.

Business aviation is particularly essential in driving Canada's natural resources economy, flying in personnel – including skilled tradespeople – and equipment to remote regions of the country, including the oil patch. If Canada is going to support globally competitive oil, gas, and mining sectors, we must also support a competitive business aviation sector.

To ensure that our business aviation sector and the well-paying and highly skilled jobs it supports continues to thrive, we hope to work closely together with you and your colleagues.

We also look forward to learning more about your priorities and how we can work together to advance those. We would very much appreciate the opportunity to meet with you, or a member of your staff at your convenience, to discuss your priorities and how CBAA can assist you in moving them forward.



Please do not hesitate to contact me if CBAA can be of any assistance to you in the meantime.

Sincerely,

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## **About CBAA**

CBAA is a non-profit association formed in 1961 as Canada's voice for business aviation. Since its inception, CBAA has assumed an increasing role in its advocacy for Canadian business aviation interests. With a membership of approximately 400 companies and organizations, including operators, management companies and suppliers, CBAA represents the entire business aviation community with a unified and collective voice.