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I am writing to you regarding the apparent irregularities and serious breach of procedure that has come to light during the recent controversy over the issuance of a No-Objection Certificate (NOC) by Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) to a private builder near the HAL Airport in Bangalore.

As you are aware, the NOC letter was issued under the assumption of an incorrect Above Mean Sea Level (AMSL) figure submitted by the Private builder. The actual sea level is established in a number of published documents including maps published by the Survey of India. In spite of this, it would appear that the NOC was approved without the necessary checks. While I welcome the cancellation of the NOC by HAL, I urge you to call for an investigation at the earliest into the possible complicity of officials who allegedly delayed action, despite the illegality brought to their notice by citizens.

I also urge you to conduct a detailed review of all NOCs / sanctions granted and approvals given since 2008 to ensure there have been no instances of malfeasance in the



past. Such an enquiry and review will also help prevent such regrettable incidents in the future. The observations/results of such a review should also be placed on public record.

I am sure that you will agree with me that air safety is of paramount concern not only to those involved in the aviation sector, but also to the thousands of residents who reside in the vicinity of the flight path.

I look forward to your urgent action on this matter and being kept informed of the results.

Yours sincerely,

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