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Speier, Eshoo, Panetta Statement: Update on FAA Response Regarding Aircraft Noise

WASHINGTON, D.C.— Today, Representatives Jackie Speier (CA-14), Anna Eshoo (CA-18) and Jimmy Panetta (CA-20) released the following update on the Federal Aviation Administration’s response to address the issue of noise from air traffic in their Congressional Districts.

“In early December 2016, the final reports with recommendations of the Select Committee on South Bay Arrivals and the San Francisco International Airport/Community Roundtable were sent to the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) for review and action.

“Our offices have been engaged with the new Western-Pacific Regional Administrator of the FAA and his team since early this year, and we have continued to relay the public’s interest in a response to the recommendations as soon as possible. Each of us has spoken directly with FAA Administrator Michael Huerta regarding the status of the FAA’s response to the 109 recommendations contained in these reports to address the ongoing issue of aircraft noise in our Congressional Districts.

“Administrator Huerta confirmed he has received a draft response from his Western-Pacific team who have completed extensive technical work and his team in Washington D.C. is conducting a final review of the document at this time. Administrator Huerta told us that the FAA is committed to this Initiative process and continuing to work on the response to the recommendations.

“We have been advised that the FAA will send their completed document to the Department of Transportation (DOT) within a month for final review and authorization. It is not known at this time how long the DOT will take to authorize the release of the response; we will continue to follow and will release the response as soon as we receive it.”

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