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The Foreign Affairs Committee has been made aware that China's civil aviation authority has launched four new civilian air routes over the Taiwan Strait, without prior consultation with the Taiwan government. I attach a statement from the British-Taiwanese All-Party-Parliamentary Group on the issue.

The Committee understands that this unilateral decision has led to concerns around safety and threatens to further exacerbate tensions between China and Taiwan.

I am writing to request that you provide the Committee with an explanation of the Government's position on this matter and provide an account of any discussions you have had with Chinese representatives about it.

I would expect to place your reply in the public domain.

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Chair