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Your Excellency:

The International Federation of Air Traffic Controllers' Associations (IFATCA) has been advised by our Member Association, Asociación de Controladores de Transito Aereo de Argentina, ACTA Argentina, of the progress in the formation of the new Civil Aviation Administration in Argentina. IFATCA welcomes the initiatives of the Government ministers and the Military commanders in creating the new civilian authority and for soliciting the assistance of international experts from the International Civil Aviation Organisation, ICAO.

IFATCA takes pride in its high standard of knowledge and professionalism among its membership and is fortunate to have many highly knowledgeable members who regularly assist ICAO in formulating material at both international and regional levels. Therefore IFATCA strongly urges you to also consult with ACTA Argentina and draw on their technical skills, professional advice and local expertise in formulating the important decisions that will be the basis of a safe air traffic management system in your country for the foreseeable future.

IFATCA also respectfully requests that you utilise your staff resources in the most efficient manner by returning all fully qualified and experienced controllers to operational duties where they can immediately assist to relieve the critical staffing problems at the major radar control units.

A safe and efficient air transport system is vital for the continued growth and prosperity of any country and a motivated and effective air traffic control workforce is an essential part of the organisation. Our air traffic control colleagues in ATCA Argentina are dedicated and highly skilled professionals who take pride in their job and always carry out their duties to the highest levels of competency. IFATCA is confident that with the assistance of ACTA Argentina you will succeed in the challenging task of creating a new civilian authority that will be capable of leading Argentina forward with a well organised, soundly structured and above all safe aviation authority that is fully compliant with all international standards.

Assuring you of my highest respect,

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