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**Sent:** 16 May 2018 15:50

**To:** [Redacted] Grisewood A (Aidan)

**Cc:** Ireland J (John); [Redacted]

**Subject:** OFFICIAL SENSITIVE – Final Forecasts and Fact-check – Air Passenger Duty (APD) – May 2018

In accordance with the Protocol, the Commission is now formally sharing our final forecasts with the Scottish Government and sharing our report for fact-checking purposes. Please below the final forecast for Air Passenger Duty (APD), in the absence of a significant QA issue these forecasts will not change.

### Forecast of Scottish APD

£ million	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	2023-24
	257	277	285	292	301	311	322	335

The Scottish Government is invited to confirm the factual accuracy of the report, accompanying spreadsheets and the presentation of Scottish Government policy. As per the protocol we require any comments to be received by the end of Monday 21<sup>st</sup> May. For ease we are sending the report in sections directly to the relevant teams, please ensure that all relevant people in the Scottish Government are included on this copy list and have sight of the report.

**This report and forecasts are being shared strictly for the purposes of commenting on the factual accuracy of the report and for the development of the Scottish Government’s Medium Term Financial Outlook. The report and forecasts contains Scottish Fiscal Commission assumptions and determinants that are classified as OFFICIAL-SENSITIVE until the time of publication, they must be protected at all times and must not be shared beyond those requiring access for the purposes of fact-checking.**

Please note that the report is still being finalised and the Commission retains the right to change any element of the report. As per the protocol the report will be shared with the Cabinet Secretary for Finance and the Constitution on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> May. A final pre-release version will be shared with the Cabinet Secretary on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> May and the final version of the report will be published on Thursday 31<sup>st</sup> May.

We will also cover APD in the summary section of the report, this is still in development as we work on the overall narrative of the report. We will provide this separately for fact-checking on the 22<sup>nd</sup> May, and invite comments on factual accuracy back from the Scottish Government by the morning of the 24<sup>th</sup> May. The final version of the report will be provided to the Cabinet Secretary for Finance and Constitution in the afternoon of the 24<sup>th</sup> May.

**From:** [Redacted]

**Sent:** 21 May 2018 09:21

**To:** J[Redacted] Grisewood A (Aidan)

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We have no further comments on this chapter.

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