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House of Commons Questions	House of Lords Question
<p>7 Apr 2014 - <a href="#">Robertson, A - Military Aviation Authority Air Safety Report for 2012-13</a></p> <p>7 Apr 2014 - <a href="#">McDonnell - Air Passenger Duty and Northern Ireland</a></p> <p>8 Apr 2014 - <a href="#">Creagh - Airports that meet the eligibility criteria for the Regional Air Connectivity Fund</a></p> <p>10 Apr 2014 - <a href="#">Jackson, S - Improved frequency of Cross Country trains from Peterborough to Stansted Airport</a></p>	<p>9 Apr 2014 - <a href="#">Lord Brooke of Alverthorpe - Civil Aviation Authority and employee share scheme</a></p>
Parliament News	Government News
<p>3 Apr 2014 - The All-Party Parliamentary Rail Group heard that the development of Old Oak Common railway station would have a 'huge impact' on the HS2 project. The meeting of the Group in the Palace of Westminster heard from the Chair of the High Speed 2 (HS2) Rail project, Sir David Higgins. The event was chaired by Mr Martin Vickers (Conservative, Cleethorpes).</p> <p>4 Apr 2014 - <a href="#">The Communities and Local Government Committee has launched an inquiry into the operation of the National Planning Policy Framework.</a></p> <p>8 Apr 2014 - <a href="#">Southend Airport's newly extended terminal has been opened by the Secretary of State for Transport, Mr. Patrick McLoughlin. The expansion follows a large increase in passenger numbers last year and the recent announcement of new routes to mainland Europe.</a></p> <p>11 Apr 2014 - <a href="#">The House of Commons Transport Committee published its report on the disruption at Gatwick Airport, Christmas Eve 2013.</a></p>	<p>4 Apr 2014 - <a href="#">The UK Civil Aviation Authority (CAA) has announced a review of the medical services it provides. The study will look at all aspects of the work of the CAA's Medical Department to ensure UK pilots and air traffic controllers are receiving the most suitable and efficient service possible.</a></p> <p>9 Apr 2014 - <a href="#">As of 6 April 2014, the CAA took on the responsibility for administering applications from non-UK operators for permission to use foreign registered aircraft to, from or within the UK. More information about permits including advice on how to make an application is available <a href="#">here</a>.</a></p>
European News	
<p>9 Apr 2014 - The European Commission has found that three schemes aimed at providing 'start-up' aid to airports and airlines do not breach European Union state aid rules. The schemes are: <a href="#">a €12.7 million capital injection into the company managing the Italian airports Verona and Brescia, Aeroporto 'Valerio Catullo' di Verona-Villafranca SpA</a>; <a href="#">a €19.2 million scheme in support of operations at Groningen Airport Eelde</a>; and <a href="#">a Spanish scheme providing new routes from Spain to the Canary Islands</a>.</p> <p>10 Apr 2014 - <a href="#">Transport Members of the European Parliament have supported an agreement on noise-related operating restrictions at airports within the European Union.</a></p>	