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## **Aviation NZ and the Aviation Federation Announce Partnership**

Aviation NZ and the Aviation Federation today announce their new partnership – focused on improving aviation safety and reducing industry compliance costs.

“Aviation NZ and the Aviation Federation together represent the vast majority of commercial and recreational aviation in New Zealand and we think that by working more closely together we can truly deliver a step change in performance in critical areas such as safety and reducing the costs of compliance to operators”

Said Don McCracken, the President of Aviation NZ

“We are delighted to be partnering with Aviation NZ at this crucial time. With large scale infrastructure projects underway, such as the New Southern Sky, and the Civil Aviation Authority triennial funding review underway – our partnership creates a powerful and effective lobbying voice for industry” said Ian Andrews, the President of the Aviation Federation.

The partnership will be officially marked by an inaugural Joint Stakeholder Function at Parliament on Thursday 10 December, sponsored by Aviation NZ’s newest member JSSI, in conjunction with Redfort Group.

Media welcome – to register to attend please contact:

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### **Key facts about Aviation New Zealand**

Aviation New Zealand exists to lead, inspire and grow the New Zealand aviation industry. Aviation NZ is the industry body representing the aviation sector in NZ

It was established in 1950 to encourage the safe growth of the aviation industry in New Zealand. In more recent years, it has also become involved in helping the international development of its members.

Aviation New Zealand has over 300 members and over 2000 on its database.

Members include UAV commercial operators, agricultural companies, air operators (fixed wing and rotary), aircraft designers and manufacturers, airports, aviation trainers, emergency and medical services companies, helicopter companies and component/parts manufacturers.

[www.aia.org.nz](http://www.aia.org.nz)

### **The New Zealand Aviation Federation (Inc)**

Brings together all the sectors of General Aviation to exchange ideas and issues that can be collectively debated and then presented to the relevant regulating authority <http://www.aviationfederation.co.nz>

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