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Dear Mr Walters

I am writing this letter to show that OCS Ltd. Transport Services Division fully supports the Backs! 2005 campaign.

OCS Ltd. Transport Services Division are taking the following action as part of Backs! 2005:

- *A trial using a mechanical lifting machine for use on regional aircraft at LHR, LGW, BHX and MAN.*
- *An extended Manual Handling course for all employees at 5 airports.*

It is anticipated that the above action(s) will bring about the following improvements in the workplace:

- *Decrease the risk of MSD injuries to 500 staff currently manhandling staff on/off aircraft*
- *Increase staff awareness of the importance of assessing loads and techniques to be used before manual lifting. This will affect 2000 staff.*

OCS Ltd. Transport Services Division are committed to working with the Health & Safety Executive and Local Authorities to help reduce in the long term, the terrific cost to industry and society of back pain and other musculo-skeletal disorders (MSDs) in the workplace.

Yours sincerely

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