

Committee: **Board of the London International Airport**

Organization/Sector represented: **Genral public**

Name: **Raul Gonzales**

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Occupation: **Warehouse assistant at Home Depot**

Work experience: **retired from the Peruvian Air Force after 25 years of service; electronics engineer with specialty in radar; held rank of Lieutenant Colonel at retirement; oversaw the creation and maintenance of Peru's first Military Air Surveillance Network and an Integrated Communications System of the Peruvian Air Force; dealt with the International Civil Aviation Organization located in Lima, Peru, regarding training of military personnel as liaison between military and civil aviation; reviewed the technical aspects of the air traffic control system purchased by the International Airport in Lima, Peru and approved the contract;**

Education: **Four-year degree in Electronics Engineering (1997) Member of the Association of Professional Engineers, Peru (1982) Professional Electronics Enginer, University of San Marcos (1981) Course in Air Control Surveillance at University of Odessa, Russia.**

Skills: **ability to check air traffic control systems (several years at several international airports in Peru); managing security at military airports; quality control specialization (at Fanshawe College)**

Interest reason: **I am familiar with many airports both civilian and military in Europe, North America, and South America, and I have extensive knowledge that I think I can contribute to the running of the London airport. Also, I am a frequent user of the London International Airport. As a resident of London for 15 years, I feel I should contribute to this city in whatever way I can, especially in area of expertise, which I am not able to use in my present job.**

Contributions: **I can contribute my extensive international experience in civil and military aviation, as stated above.**

Past contributions: **I have been a treasure at the Canadian Latin-American Association (CALA) (a non-profit organization) 2010-1013 and I am currently a member of the Board of this organization. I have a member of the Freemasons since 1994 and in London since 2000. I am also a member of Shriners.**

Interpersonal: **I have had extensive experience with consensus building, working on various boards and committees and organizing activities for the Freemason as well as the Cultural Day and fundraising activities for CALA (see above). I have always been appreciated for my ability to work with others and to respect their views and successfully carry out group decisions and activities.**

Interview interest: **Yes**