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Dear Richard

Letter of Recognition for Pearson BTEC Higher Nationals in Aeronautical Engineering from Leonardo (Helicopter Division)

Leonardo employs around 7,000 people throughout the UK, 67% of whom hold highly skilled positions.

We are one of the largest employers of engineering apprentices and graduates in the UK, with some 415 people on undergraduate, graduate and apprentice training programmes. Our apprenticeship programme was rated as 'Outstanding' by OFSTED.

In the UK Leonardo spends around £3.5 million on employee training and development annually, providing young people with the opportunity to gain qualifications through on-the-job training, whilst simultaneously undertaking academic study.

Leonardo (Helicopter Division) in Yeovil employs approximately 2800 employees, with 116 of these being apprentices. Of these apprentices, currently >35% are studying a BTEC Higher National Qualification. Leonardo (Helicopter Division) actively recognises the below qualifications as being fit for purpose in preparing our learners for a role in the Engineering sector.

Pearson BTEC Level 4 Higher National Certificate in Aeronautical Engineering (QN: 603/0485/6)

Pearson BTEC Level 5 Higher National Diploma in Aeronautical Engineering (QN: 603/0484/4)

The qualifications will support learners to progress to employment or within employment in a wide range of job roles across the sector, specifically (but not limited to):

Qualification Name	Job Role(s)
Pearson BTEC Level 4 Higher National Certificate in Aeronautical Engineering (QN: 603/0485/6)	Aeronautical Manufacturing Engineer
	Aeronautical Design Engineer
	Customer Support Engineer
Pearson BTEC Level 5 Higher National Diploma in Aeronautical Engineering (QN: 603/0484/4)	Aeronautical Performance Analyst
	Aeronautical Test & Validation Engineer
	Aeronautical Research & Development Engineer



For such roles, we believe that these qualifications provide an appropriate level of knowledge and skills, meeting the needs of the business and the individual, ensuring employees are appropriately skilled for the job and able to deliver to the standard that the sector expects.

These qualifications will also support the individual, should they chose to progress in to further training..

Yours sincerely



Ben Lavery

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