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Mr Michael Bird  
Executive Director  
International Air Services Commission  
GPO Box 630  
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Dear Mr Bird

### Application for Capacity Allocation – the Philippines Route

Qantas' wholly-owned subsidiary company, Jetstar Airways (Jetstar) plans to commence services between Darwin and Manila early 2011. It is planned that these services will be operated using a one-class A320 aircraft configured with 177 seats.

#### Allocation Sought

Qantas requests an allocation of 531 seats per week on the Philippines Route on the following basis:

- the allocation is requested for a period of five years from the date of the determination;
- the capacity will be fully used by 31 October 2011; and
- the capacity may be utilised by Qantas or another Australian carrier which is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Qantas.

#### IASC Act and Policy Statement Considerations

This application should be considered against the general criteria for assessing the benefit to the public in paragraph 4 of the Minister's Policy Statement.

These criteria state that the use of entitlements under a bilateral arrangement is of benefit to the public, provided a carrier is reasonably capable of obtaining the necessary approvals and implementing the proposal.

Please contact me should the Commission require any further information.

Yours sincerely

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