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Ms Sue McIntosh Executive Director International Air Services Commission GPO Box 630 CANBERRA ACT 2601

Dear Ms McIntosh

Application for Variation - Japan Route

Following the revision of air services arrangements between Australia and Japan, Qantas has recently been allocated unlimited capacity to points in Japan other than Narita and Haneda Airports.

To support Jetstar Airways' code share with Japan Airlines, as permitted by Decision [2010] IASC 210, Qantas seeks a variation of this capacity allocation.

Variation Sought

Qantas requests a variation to Determination [2012] IASC 102, which allocates unlimited capacity to points in Japan other than Narita and Haneda Airports, to permit Jetstar Airways to code share with Japan Airlines.

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

Yours sincerely

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