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Ms Marlene Tucker Executive Director International Air Services Commission GPO Box 630 Canberra ACT 2601

Via email: Marlene.Tucker@infrastructure.gov.au

Dear Ms Tucker.

Application for Variation – Italy

As part of a code share agreement between Qantas and British Airways, it is proposed that Qantas will offer code share services on flights operated by British Airways on the Italy route from 25 March 2018.

A copy of the confidential code share agreement between Qantas and British Airways will be provided separately to the Commission.

Variations Sought

Qantas requests a variation to the following determinations to permit the utilisation of capacity for code share services with British Airways on the Italy route:

- Determination [2017] IASC 118
- Determination [2014] IASC 109
- Determination [2013] IASC 119

The variations are requested for the duration of the determinations.

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.

We would be pleased to provide any further information the Commission may require in support of this application.

Yours sincerely,

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