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Ms Jasmina Morling

Director

International Air Services Commission

Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications, Sport and the Arts

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Subject: Application for allocation of capacity – Indonesia route

Dear Ms Morling,

Virgin Australia International Airlines Pty Ltd (Virgin Australia) presents its compliments to the International Air Services Commission (the Commission) and welcomes the recent expansion of traffic rights available under the Australia–Indonesia air services arrangements. Virgin Australia congratulates the Australian Government and the Commission on this positive development, which provides an opportunity to support further growth, competition and connectivity between Australia and Indonesia.

Virgin Australia applies for an allocation of 5,086 seats per week in each direction on the Indonesia route.

Basis of application

The additional capacity will support the expansion of Virgin Australia's scheduled passenger services between Australia and Indonesia, including increased frequencies from Sydney, Melbourne and Brisbane to Denpasar and the introduction of services between Perth and Denpasar.

The capacity will be utilised by Virgin Australia and is sought for a period of five years from the date of the Commission's determination.

Proposed services

The proposed services will be operated by Virgin Australia using B737 MAX 8 aircraft configured with 182 seats. The table below sets out the planned use of the additional capacity:

Route	Weekly frequency	Aircraft	Seats per flight	Weekly seats	Proposed commencement
Melbourne–Denpasar (MEL–DPS)	4	B737-MAX8	182	728	13 December 2026
Sydney–Denpasar (SYD–DPS)	4	B737-MAX8	182	728	23 March 2027
Perth–Denpasar (PER–DPS)	17	B737-MAX8	182	3,094	21 June 27
Brisbane–Denpasar (BNE–DPS)	3	B737-MAX8	182	546	16 September 27
Total	28			5,096	

Note: The proposed services represent a total operating requirement of 5,096 seats per week in each direction. Virgin Australia currently has 10 seats per week in each direction available under its existing capacity allocation, which will be utilised for the proposed services.

The proposed operating timetable for the relevant IATA scheduling season is set out in Appendix 1. The services are subject to all necessary regulatory and operational approvals. Virgin Australia expects to utilise the full additional allocation by 16 September 2027.

IASC Act and Policy Statement considerations

Virgin Australia asks the Commission to assess this application against the reasonable capability criterion in section 8 of the Minister’s Policy Statement.

The proposed services will be operated by Virgin Australia between Australian and Indonesian gateways permitted under the Australia–Indonesia air services arrangements. Virgin Australia is an established Australian international carrier with experience operating scheduled passenger services between Australia and Indonesia.

Virgin Australia is reasonably capable of obtaining the licences, permits and other approvals required to operate the proposed services and of utilising the capacity sought within the proposed timeframe.

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

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Henry Coles', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Henry Coles
Head of Airline Partnerships and International Relations

Appendix 1

Proposed Operating Schedules

From 13 December 2026, Virgin Australia plans to increase frequency between Melbourne and Denpasar using the B737-MAX8 aircraft configured with 182.seats. From 13 December 2026,

Flt No.	Day of Ops	Dep Port	Dep Time	Arr Port	Arr Time
VA 95	6.	MEL	1735	DPS	2200
VA 96	6.	DPS	2305	MEL	0640
VA 97	.2...67	MEL	0620	DPS	1045
VA 98	.2...67	DPS	1210	MEL	1945

From 23 March 2027, Virgin Australia plans to increase frequency between Sydney and Denpasar using the B737-MAX8 aircraft configured with 182 seats

Flt No.	Day of Ops	Dep Port	Dep Time	Arr Port	Arr Time
VA 61	.23..67	SYD	0640	DPS	1125
VA 62	.23..67	DPS	1230	SYD	2030

From 21 June 2027, Virgin Australia plans to operate Perth-Denpasar services using the B737-MAX8 aircraft configured with 182 seats

Flt No.	Day of Ops	Dep Port	Dep Time	Arr Port	Arr Time
VA 151	1234567	PER	0735	DPS	1130
VA 152	1234567	DPS	1245	PER	1635
VA 153	67	PER	1105	DPS	1500
VA 154	67	DPS	1615	PER	2005
VA 155	6.	PER	1405	DPS	1800
VA 156	6.	DPS	1915	PER	2305
VA 157	1234567	PER	1645	DPS	2040
VA 158	1234567	DPS	2155	PER	0145

From 16 September 2027, Virgin Australia plans to increase frequency between Brisbane and Denpasar using the B737-MAX8 aircraft configured with 182 seats

Flt No.	Day of Ops	Dep Port	Dep Time	Arr Port	Arr Time
VA 51	...45.7	BNE	1900	DPS	2335
VA 52	...45.7	DPS	0055	BNE	0845

**The proposed schedules are subject to change*