

International Air Services Commission

RESOLUTION

Resolution: [2021] IASC R02 Determination: [2020] IASC 101

The Route: Indonesia

The Applicant: Qantas Airways Limited

(ACN 009 661 901 / ABN 16 009 661 901)

Public register file: IASC/APP/202106

On 21 January 2020, the International Air Services Commission (the Commission) issued Determination [2020] IASC 101 (the Determination) allocating to Qantas Airways Limited (Qantas) 670 seats of capacity per week in each direction on the Indonesia route. The Determination includes several conditions including the requirement for the capacity to be utilised from no later than 30 June 2020 or from such other date approved by the Commission.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic impacts, including current travel restrictions put in place by the Australian Government in March 2020, Qantas was not able to commence the new services to and from Indonesia. In light of this, on 18 March 2021, Qantas applied to the Commission to extend the date of commencement of use of the capacity from 30 June 2020 to 31 October 2021.

Qantas stated in its application that the Minister for Health and Aged Care, the Hon Greg Hunt MP announced on 3 March 2021 that international borders would remain closed until at least 17 June 2021, and that Qantas received further guidance that international borders are likely to remain closed until the COVID-19 vaccine is rolled out across the Australian population (late 2021).

The Commission recognises that the COVID-19 pandemic and associated travel restrictions imposed by various countries, has seriously disrupted the international operations of airlines worldwide.

In light of these extraordinary circumstances, the Commission issues Resolution [2021] IASC R02 to provide that the capacity issued under Determination [2020] IASC 101 is to be utilised from no later than 31 October 2021, or such other date approved by the Commission. The Commission will continue to monitor the airline's ability to utilise the capacity on the route.

Dated: 23 March 2021

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Chairperson

KAREN GOSLING

Commissioner