



Australian Government

International Air Services Commission

RESOLUTION

Resolution: [2022] IASC R04
Determination: [2019] IASC 124
The Route: France
The Applicant: Virgin Australia International Airlines Pty Ltd
(Virgin Australia) ABN 63 125 580 823
Public register file: IASC/APP/202215


On 28 November 2019, the International Air Services Commission (the Commission) issued Renewal Determination [2019] IASC 124 (the Determination) allocating to Virgin Australia International Airlines Pty Ltd (Virgin Australia) 150 one-way seats per day on an average basis on the Australia – France route. The Determination is subject to certain conditions, including the requirement for the capacity to be utilised from no later than 31 December 2020, or such other date approved by the Commission.

On 12 July 2022, Virgin Australia wrote to the Commission seeking an extension of the date for utilisation of the capacity to the end of the Northern Summer 2022 scheduling season. As part of its application, Virgin Australia indicated that due to the COVID-19 pandemic impacts and border closures, including travel restrictions put in place by the Australian Government in March 2020, the airline was unable to utilise the allocated capacity as planned. The Commission notes that Virgin Australia paused the provision of code share services on the France route in response to the COVID-19 pandemic and associated travel restrictions. In its application, Virgin Australia outlined to the Commission its firm plans to utilise the capacity by the end of the Northern Summer 2022 season.

The Commission issues Resolution [2022] IASC R04 to provide that the capacity issued under Determination [2019] IASC 124 is to be utilised from no later than 29 October 2022 (the end of the Northern Summer 2022 season), or such other date approved by the Commission.

The Commission will continue to monitor the airline's ability to fully utilise the capacity on the route.

Dated: 10 August 2022


GENEVIEVE BUTLER
Chairperson


JANE MCKEON
Commissioner