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Ms Jasmina Ackar
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International Air Services Commission
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Dear Ms Ackar,

APPLICATION FOR CAPACITY – FRANCE ROUTE 1

From 12 July 2024, Qantas Airways Limited (Qantas) plans to commence year-round scheduled services between Australia and France.

Qantas plans to operate between Perth and Paris four days per week during the peak European summer, moving to three days per week from mid-August 2024.

The services will be operated using Boeing 787 Dreamliner aircraft configured with 236 seats. The flight schedule for the Northern Summer 2024 scheduling season is provided at Attachment 1. A copy of Qantas' media release announcing the new services is provided at Attachment 2.

Allocation Sought

Qantas seeks an allocation of two units of capacity per week in each direction on France Route 1 for a period of five years from the date of the determination on the basis that the capacity will be fully utilised by 31 July 2024 and the capacity may be utilised by Qantas.

We request that this application be considered against the 'reasonable capability criterion' as defined in section 8 of the Minister's Policy Statement.

We would be pleased to provide any further information the Commission requires.

Yours sincerely,

Anna Pritchard
Executive Manager, Government, Industry & Competition



ATTACHMENT 1

Flight	Eff Date	Dis Date	Freq	Dept Arp	Dept Time	Arvl Arp	Arrv Time
QF33	12-Jul-24	11-Aug-24	1.3.5.7	SYD	13:55	PER	17:00
QF33	12-Jul-24	11-Aug-24	1.3.5.7	PER	19:35	CDG	6:55
QF34	13-Jul-24	10-Aug-24	12.4.6.	CDG	9:55	PER	8:30
QF34	14-Jul-24	11-Aug-24	.23.5.7	PER	10:00	SYD	16:05

Flight	Eff Date	Dis Date	Freq	Dept Arp	Dept Time	Arvl Arp	Arrv Time
QF33	12-Aug-24	30-Aug-24	1.3.5..	SYD	13:55	PER	17:00
QF33	12-Aug-24	30-Aug-24	1.3.5..	PER	19:35	CDG	6:55
QF34	13-Aug-24	31-Aug-24	.2.4.6.	CDG	9:55	PER	8:30
QF34	14-Aug-24	1-Sep-24	..3.5.7	PER	10:00	SYD	16:05

Flight	Eff Date	Dis Date	Freq	Dept Arp	Dept Time	Arvl Arp	Arrv Time
QF33	2-Sep-24	6-Sep-24	1.3.5..	SYD	13:55	PER	17:00
QF33	2-Sep-24	8-Sep-24	1.3.5.7	PER	19:35	CDG	6:55
QF33	8-Sep-24	8-Sep-247	SYD	13:55	PER	17:00
QF33	11-Sep-24	4-Oct-24	1.3.5..	SYD	13:55	PER	17:00
QF33	11-Sep-24	25-Oct-24	1.3.5..	PER	19:35	CDG	6:55
QF33	7-Oct-24	25-Oct-24	1.3.5..	SYD	14:55	PER	17:00
QF34	3-Sep-24	7-Sep-24	.2.4.6.	CDG	9:55	PER	8:30
QF34	4-Sep-24	8-Sep-24	..3.5.7	PER	10:00	SYD	16:05
QF34	12-Sep-24	26-Oct-24	.2.4.6.	CDG	9:55	PER	8:30
QF34	13-Sep-24	4-Oct-24	..3.5.7	PER	10:00	SYD	16:05
QF34	6-Oct-24	25-Oct-24	..3.5.7	PER	10:00	SYD	17:05

Media Releases

QANTAS SAYS BONJOUR WITH DIRECT FLIGHTS FROM PERTH TO PARIS

Perth

Published on 29th October 2023

- New Perth-Paris flights taking off in July 2024
- More than 75,000 additional seats to and from Europe each year
- Fastest way for West Australians to travel to Paris
- Partnership with WA Tourism to promote Perth to the world

Qantas is adding another direct service between Australia and Europe with the launch of a new route between Perth and Paris, just in time for the 2024 Olympic and Paralympic Games and European summer.

Following the success of the national carrier's unique direct flights from Perth to London and Rome, the new year-round route will see Qantas operate to the French capital for the first time in nearly two decades, cutting around three hours off the current fastest travel time from Perth to Paris.

From 12 July 2024, the 17-hour Perth-Paris flights will initially operate four days per week during the peak European summer with the airline's Boeing 787 Dreamliner aircraft. Services will move to three per week from mid-August 2024.

Qantas Group CEO Vanessa Hudson said the airline was thrilled to put Paris back on the Qantas map with a direct link for Australians to the French capital for the first time.

"This route has been on our wish list for a while and we think customers will be as pleased as we are to see it go on sale today," Ms Hudson said.

“Our direct flights to London and Rome have been hugely popular and Paris is the next most-requested destination, so we know the demand for this service will be strong as well.

“Some of the first customers on these flights will be Australian athletes heading to Paris to compete at the 2024 Olympic and Paralympic Games.

“We’re the only airline offering these direct flights rather than going through a mid-point because the key market we serve is Australia. Our in-flight service is designed with long-haul travel in mind.

“The schedule we’ve announced today will add more than 75,000 seats between Australia and Europe each year and we’ll be working with Tourism WA to help make the most of the opportunity to bring tourists here, knowing that direct flights are a big factor in people deciding where to travel.”

The arrival of new aircraft in recent months and recent increases in flying will see the Qantas Group’s international capacity increase to above 90 per cent of pre-COVID levels by the end year and return to 100 per cent by the middle of next year.

The new flights will operate through Qantas’ existing terminal at Perth Airport (Terminal 3), which will allow seamless connections to other domestic destinations in Australia. Qantas and Perth Airport are making positive progress in negotiations about moving its operations to Terminal 1.

WA Premier Roger Cook said he was proud to have secured the new direct flight, which strengthens the State’s global reputation as the Western Gateway to Australia.

“Securing new direct aviation services like this is absolutely vital to drive travellers to Western Australia, inject visitor spend into our economy and create jobs in the tourism and hospitality industries.”

The Paris service will also offer customers another option for connecting to more than 70 destinations across the region, including Barcelona, Munich, Frankfurt and Athens, and 12 destinations within France through Qantas’ network of partners.

A “circle fare” also allows Qantas customers to fly into Paris and return to Australia from London or Rome on the one ticket.

Fares are on sale at 9am Western Standard Time (WST) starting from \$1,899 from Perth and are available until 2 November unless sold out prior via qantas.com and through Travel Agents.

QANTAS FLIGHTS TO EUROPE

Customers travelling from around Australia can connect seamlessly onto Qantas' flights to Europe.

- QF9/QF10 Perth-London (787)
- QF5/QF6 Perth-Rome (787)
- QF33/QF34 Perth-Paris (787) (customers can book and fly from Sydney)
- QF1/QF2 Sydney-Singapore-London (A380)

Qantas customers can also travel to Europe on Emirates flights via Dubai and with four other partner airlines.

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