

24 November 2023

Ms Jasmina Ackar Director International Air Services Commission GPO BOX 630 CANBERRA ACT 2601

By email: Jasmina.Ackar@infrastructure.gov.au

Dear Ms Ackar,

## **APPLICATION FOR VARIATION – KOREA ROUTE**

As part of a code share arrangement between Qantas' wholly-owned subsidiary, Jetstar Airways Pty Limited (Jetstar) and Finnair, it is proposed that Finnair offer code share services on flights operated by Jetstar on the Korea route from 1 January 2024, or as soon as all necessary approvals have been received.

The proposed code share arrangements enable Finnair to place its marketing code on Jetstar operated services on Sydney-Seoul (Incheon) and Brisbane-Seoul (Incheon) services, providing connectivity to Australia with Finnair's operated services between Helsinki and Seoul (Incheon). The ability for Finnair to expand its selling proposition by independently marketing and pricing services between Australia and Korea provides an increased range of choices and benefits for consumers.

Jetstar, as the operating carrier, provides Finnair with access to available inventory on a free sale basis.

A copy of the confidential code share agreement between Jetstar and Finnair will be provided separately to the Commission.

## Variation sought

Qantas seek to vary the following determinations to permit Finnair to code share on Jetstar operated services on the Korea route. The variation is requested for the duration of the determinations.

- Determination [2019] IASC 103
- Determination [2022] IASC 113
- Determination [2023] IASC 116
- Determination [2023] IASC 122
- Determination [2023] IASC 129



## **IASC Act and Policy Statement Considerations**

ARRutchard

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