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

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Dear Ms Ackar,

## **APPLICATION FOR VARIATION – JAPAN ROUTE**

Since December 2018, LATAM Airlines Group S.A. (LATAM) has been offering code share services on flights operated by Qantas on the Japan route, including services to Tokyo Haneda, pursuant to Determination [2019] IASC 102 and Determination [2021] IASC 101.

Qantas now seeks the ability for LATAM to expand its marketing code to a second daily frequency between Sydney and Tokyo Haneda. This expansion offers additional connectivity for passengers travelling on LATAM operated services between Chile and Australia, providing an increased range of choices and benefits for consumers.

A copy of the confidential code share agreement between Qantas and LATAM has been provided separately to the Commission.

## Variation sought

Qantas seeks variation of Determination [2019] IASC 118 to permit LATAM to code share on both daily Qantas operated services to Tokyo Haneda. The variation is requested for the duration of the Determination.

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

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,

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