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Ms Jasmina Ackar
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International Air Services Commission
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By email: Jasmina.Ackar@infrastructure.gov.au

Dear Ms Ackar,

APPLICATION FOR VARIATION – FRANCE ROUTE 1

From 30 May 2025, or as soon as all necessary approvals have been received, Qantas Airways Limited (Qantas) plans to expand code share arrangements with its partner airline Air France to include services operated on France Route 1.

Under these expanded arrangements, it is proposed that Air France will code share on Qantas' operated services between Australia and Paris.

These expanded code share arrangements enable Air France to provide additional connectivity to Australia via Qantas' non-stop services. The ability for each of these partner airlines to expand their selling proposition by independently marketing and pricing services between Australia and France enhances the range of choices and benefits for consumers.

Qantas, as the operating carrier, intends to provide Air France with access to available inventory on a free sale basis. A copy of the confidential code share agreement between Qantas and Air France will be provided separately to the Commission.

Variation sought

Qantas seeks to vary Determination [2023] IASC 134, allocating to Qantas two units of capacity per week in each direction on France Route 1, to permit Air France to code share on Qantas operated services. 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,

Anna Pritchard
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