



20 May 2025

Ms Jasmina Ackar
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International Air Services Commission
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Dear Ms Ackar,

APPLICATION FOR VARIATION – JAPAN ROUTE

From 1 July 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 EL AL Israel Airlines Ltd (EL AL) on the Japan route.

Under these expanded arrangements, it is proposed that EL AL will code share on Qantas operated services between Australia and Tokyo (Haneda and Narita). Qantas plans to place its code on EL AL Airlines operated Tokyo (Narita)-Tel Aviv flights.

These expanded code share arrangements enable EL AL to provide connectivity to Australia via its flights to Japan and for Qantas to enhance connectivity to Tel Aviv. The ability for EL AL to expand its selling proposition by independently marketing and pricing services between Australia and Japan enhances the range of choices and benefits for consumers.

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

Variations sought

Qantas seeks to vary the following determinations on the Japan route for the duration of the determinations

- Determination [2024] IASC 108 and Determination [2024] IASC 107, allocating capacity for services to Tokyo (Haneda), to permit Qantas to utilise the capacity to provide services jointly with EL AL; and
- Determination [2021] IASC 101, allocating capacity for services to points in Japan except for Tokyo (Haneda), to permit Qantas to utilise the capacity to provide services jointly with EL AL.



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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Anna Pritchard

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