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Mrs Jasmina Morling  
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International Air Services Commission  
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Dear Mrs Morling,

### APPLICATION FOR CAPACITY – SRI LANKA

From 25 August 2026, Qantas' wholly-owned subsidiary, Jetstar Airways Pty Limited (Jetstar) plans to launch new Melbourne-Colombo services on the Sri Lanka route.

This new service will operate three times per week, providing more than 100,000 low-fare seats a year on the Sri Lanka route. Flights will be operated by Jetstar's fleet of 11 widebody Boeing 787 Dreamliners, configured with 335 seats. The proposed flight schedule for the services is provided below.

Flight #	Frequency	Dep	Dep Time	Arr	Arr Time	Subfleet
JQ5	.2..4.6.	MEL	12:00	CMB	17:50	787
JQ6	.2..4.6.	CMB	19:50	MEL	10:00+1	787

### Allocation Sought

Qantas seeks an allocation of three frequencies per week on the Sri Lanka route on the following basis:

- For a period of five years from the date of the Determination;
- The capacity will be fully utilised by 30 September 2026;
- The capacity may be utilised by Qantas, Jetstar or another Australian carrier which is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Qantas; and
- The capacity may be used by Qantas to provide joint services with any wholly-owned subsidiary and by any wholly-owned subsidiary of the Qantas Group to provide joint services with Qantas.

### 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,

**Megan Morris**  
Head of Group International Regulatory Affairs

