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Dear Mrs Morling,

APPLICATION FOR VARIATION – JAPAN ROUTE

Determination [2021] IASC 101, which allocates unlimited capacity to Qantas Airways Limited (**Qantas**) on the Japan route, includes a condition permitting Jetstar Airways Pty Limited (**Jetstar**) to utilise that capacity for code sharing with Japan Airlines until 22 February 2027.

The code share arrangements enable Japan Airlines' customers to travel seamlessly between Australia and Japan, with the convenience of single-ticket itineraries and through-checked baggage on Jetstar operated services.

Jetstar, as the operating carrier, intends to continue to make inventory accessible to Japan Airlines on a free-sale basis. A copy of the confidential codeshare agreement and data on the code share seats have been provided separately to the Commission.

Variation sought

Qantas seeks to vary Determination [2021] IASC 101 on the Japan route to permit Japan Airlines to codeshare on the following Jetstar operated services beyond the current expiry of 22 February 2027.

- Cairns–Tokyo (Narita) v.v.
- Cairns–Osaka (Kansai) v.v.

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. Jetstar is an established international carrier which currently operates scheduled international services between Australia and Japan.

We would be pleased to provide any further information the Commission requires.

Yours sincerely,

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