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Ms Jasmina Ackar Director International Air Services Commission PO Box 630 CANBERRA ACT 2601

Via email: Jasmina.Ackar@infrastructure.gov.au

Dear Ms Ackar

Application for allocation of capacity – Indonesia route

I write on behalf of Virgin Australia International Airlines Pty Ltd (Virgin Australia) in relation to applying for an allocation of additional capacity on the Indonesia route.

Virgin Australia is currently allocated 4752 seats in each direction on the Indonesia route and is currently operating a daily service to Denpasar (DPS) from Melbourne (MEL), Sydney (SYD) and Brisbane (BNE).

In line with the return of demand, additional services for the Northern Winter 2022 season are planned, meaning Virgin Australia will be utilising the majority of its bilateral capacity allocation by the end of this year.

Beyond this, additional capacity is sought to enable the introduction of an additional B737-800 service per week between MEL and DPS.

Allocation sought on the Indonesia route

To support the plans outlined above, Virgin Australia is seeking an allocation of 172 seats per week on the Indonesia route, on the basis that the capacity:

- will be utilised by Virgin Australia;
- is granted for a period of five years from the date of the determination; and
- will be fully utilised by 31 December 2022.

Services on the Indonesia route originating from the Gold Coast (OOL)

The Commission would be aware that Virgin Australia recently announced that it will be the first Australian carrier ever to offer direct flights between the OOL and DPS with services to commence in March 2023.



More than 1232 seats will be available to customers each week and further details can be found in the <u>attached</u> media release.

Virgin Australia would be pleased to provide further information if required and thanks the Commission for its consideration of these matters.

Yours sincerely

Chris Daffey **Head of Government Affairs**