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

Dear Ms Ackar

Japan Route - Renewal of Determination [2019] IASC 119

I refer to your correspondence of 1 November 2023, in relation to Determination [2019] IASC 119 which allocates capacity to Virgin Australia international Airlines (Virgin Australia) on the Japan route.

Virgin Australia commenced services to Tokyo (Haneda) from Cairns 28 June 2023. In the Northern Winter 2023 season, Virgin Australia is utilising all capacity allocated to it through its services from Cairns (seven per week).

Determination [2019] IASC 119

Determination [2019] IASC 119 allocates Virgin Australia one daily frequency on the Australia-Japan route to service Tokyo (Haneda).

Virgin Australia advises that it is seeking to renew the Determination for a period of five years.

The Commission will recall that the Determination was varied in November 2023 to include conditions which permitted code share services with Qatar Airways and Air Canada. Virgin Australia seeks to maintain these conditions as varied and does not propose any further variations.

IASC Act and Policy Statement Considerations

Virgin Australia requests that the Commission consider this application pursuant to section 25 (1) of the *International Air Services Commission Act 1992* and the 'reasonable capability criterion' as defined in section 8 of the Minister's Policy Statement.

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

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Todd Reynolds', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Todd Reynolds
General Manager, Government Relations and Industry Affairs