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Mr Michael Bird
Executive Director
International Air Services Commission
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Dear Mr ~~Bird~~ *Mike*

Application for Capacity Allocation – Papua New Guinea Route

Qantas plans to commence services between Australia and Papua New Guinea (PNG) from July 2010, or as soon as all necessary approvals have been received.

Twelve weekly return services will be operated between Cairns and Port Moresby using QantasLink Bombardier Dash 8-Q400 aircraft configured with 74 seats.

Allocation Sought

Qantas seeks an allocation of 888 seats per week on the Papua New Guinea Route on the following basis:

- the allocation is requested for a period of five years from the date of the determination;
- the capacity will be fully used by 31 December 2010;
- the capacity may be utilised by Qantas or another Australian carrier which is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Qantas; and
- the capacity may be used to provide joint services with Qantas or any wholly-owned subsidiary of the Qantas Group.



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IASC Act and Policy Statement Considerations

This application should be considered against the general criteria for assessing the benefit to the public in paragraph 4 of the Minister's Policy Statement.

These criteria state that the use of entitlements under a bilateral arrangement is of benefit to the public, provided a carrier is reasonably capable of obtaining the necessary approvals and implementing the proposal.

Please contact me should the Commission require any further information.

Yours sincerely

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