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Dear Mr Bird

### Application for Capacity Allocation – Vietnam Route

Qantas' wholly-owned subsidiary company Jetstar Airways plans to add two additional services between Darwin and Ho Chi Minh City in periods of peak demand throughout the year.

The services will be operated using a one-class A320 aircraft configured with 177 seats.

### Allocation Sought

Qantas seeks a determination that would permit it to operate unlimited capacity between points in Australia, other than Sydney, Melbourne, Brisbane and Perth, and authorised points in Vietnam.

This determination is sought on the following basis:

- the allocation is requested for a period of ten years from the date of the determination;
- 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 state that the use of entitlements by an Australian carrier under a bilateral arrangement is of benefit to the public, provided that it is reasonably capable of obtaining the necessary approvals and implementing the proposal.

We would be pleased to provide any further information the Commission may require in support of this application.

Yours sincerely



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