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Mr Michael Bird 
Executive Director
International Air Services Commission
GPO Box 630
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Dear Mr Bird

Qantas/Japan Airlines Code Share Service

Qantas plans to commence a new code share arrangement with Japan Airlines (JAL) from 20 December 2010, or as soon as all necessary approvals have been received.

Under these arrangements, it is proposed that JAL will code share on Qantas' three weekly services between Perth and Tokyo Narita. A schedule of the proposed services is set out in the Attachment.

A copy of the code share agreement between Qantas and JAL will be provided to the Commission as soon as it is available, and prior to the commencement of the code share services.

Variation sought

Qantas seeks a variation to Determination [2007] IASC 108, which allocates 6.1 B767-200 equivalent units of weekly passenger capacity on the Japan route, to permit JAL to code share on Qantas operated services.

The variation is requested for the duration of the determination.

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 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.

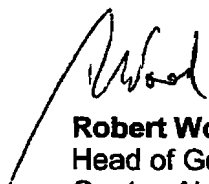


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We would be pleased to provide any further information the Commission may require in support of this application.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'R Wood', written in a cursive style.

Robert Wood
Head of Government and International Relations
Qantas Airways

**Schedule for Qantas/JAL code share services
as at 20 December 2010**

Op.Flt / Mkt Flt	Departure	Arrival	Aircraft	DOW
QF79 / JL7086	PER 2150	NRT 0840+1	B763	.2..5.7
QF80 / JL7087	NRT 2035	PER 0600+1	B763	1.3..6.

Please note:

- JAL flight numbers to be advised
- Configuration is 25J / 204Y = 229 seats