



31 July 2018

Ms Marlene Tucker
Executive Director
International Air Services Commission
GPO Box 630
Canberra ACT 2601

Dear Ms Tucker,

Application for Capacity – Cook Islands route

Qantas' wholly-owned subsidiary, Jetstar Airways Pty Limited (Jetstar), plans to operate an additional service on the Cook Islands route from 28 October 2018. The service will be operated using an A320 aircraft configured with up to 186 seats.

Application Sought

Qantas requests an allocation of 204 seats per week on the Cook Islands 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 utilised by 31 January 2019;
- 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 by Qantas to provide joint services with any wholly-owned subsidiary and by any wholly-owned subsidiary of the Qantas Group to provide joint services with Qantas.

IASC Act and Policy Statement Considerations

We request that this application be considered against the reasonable capability criterion for assessing the benefit to the public in Paragraph 8 of the International Air Services Commission Policy Statement 2018.

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.

Yours sincerely,

Megan Morris
Acting Head of International Affairs

