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Mr Michael Bird
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Dear Mr Bird *Mike*

Re: Renewal of Commission Determinations

Thank you for your letter of 27 August 2009 which invited Qantas to express its interest in the renewal of determinations allocating capacity to the Group which expire in 2010.

Qantas' requests in relation to these determinations are outlined in the attachment to this letter.

We would be pleased to provide any further information the Commission might require in considering our renewal requests.

Yours sincerely

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ATTACHMENT**[2004] IASC 115 and [2004] IASC 116 – Hong Kong Route**

Determinations 115/2004 (as varied by Decision 213/2006) and 116/2004 (as varied by Decision 216/2004) allocate two and five frequencies per week on the Hong Kong route respectively. Although Qantas is currently using 25 frequencies from a total allocation of 31 weekly services on the Hong Kong route, we seek renewal of these determinations for five years from 10 October 2010 and 1 July 2010 respectively to provide the flexibility to increase services to Hong Kong once economic conditions improve.

[2004] IASC 117 – Vanuatu Route

Qantas seeks renewal of this determination for five years from 16 May 2010 to facilitate continuation of the arrangements under which Qantas places its code on Air Vanuatu services.

[2004] IASC 118 – Netherlands Route

Qantas seeks renewal of this determination for five years from 30 June 2010 to facilitate continuation of the code share arrangements under which Qantas places its code on British Airways services.

[2004] IASC 119 – South Africa Route

Qantas is fully utilising the capacity under this determination. Qantas therefore requests renewal of this determination, as varied by Decision 225/2008, which allocates one frequency per week on the South Africa route, for five years from 28 October 2010.

Qantas has deferred plans to commence operating its seventh weekly service on the South Africa route due to the impact on travel demand of the global financial crisis. Resolution [2009] IASC R03 granted an extension of time for the full use of capacity under Determination 109/2008.

[2005] IASC 107 – Hong Kong

Qantas continues to operate dedicated freighter services to Hong Kong. Accordingly, we seek renewal of this determination for a period of five years from 14 July 2010.

[2005] IASC 108 – Korea

The allocation of 687 seats of capacity per week – the equivalent of three B767 weekly services – for use between December and February under this

determination was held to permit Qantas to mount supplementary services during the peak travel period between Australia and Korea. However, in light of current market conditions, Qantas does not intend to make use of this allocation for the foreseeable future. We therefore do not seek renewal of this determination.

[2005] IASC 128 – Thailand Route

This determination, as varied by Decisions 207/2006 and 222/2006, allocates 1.3 equivalent units of capacity per week on the Thailand route, all of which is currently being utilised. Accordingly, Qantas seeks renewal of this determination for five years from 22 November 2010.

[2005] IASC 106 – United Arab Emirates

While Qantas is not serving the United Arab Emirates with dedicated freighter services in the current season, renewal of this determination is sought for 10 years from 1 September 2010 – consistent with the open capacity and route regime for freight in the Australia – United Arab Emirates air services arrangements – to provide the flexibility to mount services in the future.