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Dear Ms Robinson

Re: Qantas' application for variation to Determination [2015] IASC 115 (as varied) – Australia/Hong Kong Route

I refer to the IASC's email of 8 January 2019 advising of Qantas' application to the IASC to vary determination [2015] IASC 115 to permit the use of capacity on flights on the Hong Kong route for the provision of code share services with Cathay Pacific Airways Limited (**Cathay Pacific**).

After reviewing Qantas' application and the submission provided to the IASC by Virgin Australia International Airlines Pty Ltd on 22 January 2019, the ACCC considers that it would be better placed to provide substantive comments after Qantas provides further information in support of its application.

Qantas' application notes that its code share agreement with Cathay Pacific has been provided to the IASC on a confidential basis. The ACCC would also benefit from access to the code share agreement between Qantas and Cathay Pacific, which could be used by the ACCC on a confidential basis if so requested.

If you wish to discuss this matter further at this stage, please do not hesitate to call Robert Janissen on 02 6243 1387 or Darrell Channing on 02 6243 4925.

Yours sincerely

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