

International Air Services Commission

RESOLUTION

Resolution: [2020] IASC R08 Determination: [2019] IASC 118

The Route: Japan

The Applicant: Qantas Airways Limited

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On 28 October 2019, the International Air Services Commission (the Commission) issued Determination [2019] IASC 118 (the Determination) allocating one frequency per day in each direction to Qantas Airways Limited (Qantas) on the Japan route to serve Tokyo-Haneda Airport. The Determination includes several conditions including the requirement for the capacity to be utilised from no later than 29 March 2020 or from such other date approved by the Commission. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic impacts, including current travel restrictions put in place by the Australian Government in March 2020, Qantas has not been able to commence the new services to and from Tokyo-Haneda. In light of this, upon the request of Qantas, on 19 June 2020, the Commission made Resolution [2020] IASC R06 which provides that the capacity allocated in Determination [2019] IASC 118 is to be utilised from no later than 31 October 2020 or from such other date approved by the Commission.

On 30 October 2020, as part of its capacity utilisation report to the Commission, Qantas indicated due to the COVID-19 pandemic impacts, including current the travel restrictions, it remains unable to utilise this capacity. In light of this, Qantas has requested the issue of a resolution extending the date for utilisation of the capacity from 31 October 2020 to 30 October 2021, or such other date as subsequently approved by the Commission.

The Commission recognises that COVID-19 pandemic and the associated travel restrictions imposed by various countries have seriously disrupted the international operations of airlines worldwide. In light of these extraordinary circumstances, the Commission issues Resolution [2020] IASC R08 to provide that the capacity issued under Determination [2019] IASC 118 is to be utilised from no later than 31 March 2021, or such other date approved by the Commission. The Commission will continue to monitor the airline's ability to utilise the capacity on the route.

Dated: 07 December 2020

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Chairperson

KAREN GOSLING

Commissioner