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Ms Jasmina Ackar
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International Air Services Commission
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Via email: Jasmina.Ackar@infrastructure.gov.au

Dear Ms Ackar,

APPLICATION FOR VARIATION– SOLOMON ISLANDS ROUTE

On 10 July 2023 the Commission issued Determination [2023] IASC 121 allocating Qantas Airways Limited 282 seats of capacity per week to operate passenger services on the Solomon Islands route.

Qantas' services will be operated using Embraer E190 aircraft under a wet lease agreement with Alliance Airlines. Alliance Airlines' Embraer E190 aircraft have 94 and 97 seat configurations.

To enable both Embraer E190 aircraft configurations to operate services between Brisbane and Honiara, Qantas seeks variation of Determination [2023] IASC 121 to increase the capacity allocated to by nine seats to 291 seats per week in each direction for the duration of the Determination.

We request that this application be considered against the 'reasonable capability criterion' as defined in section 8 of the Minister's Policy Statement.

We would be pleased to provide any further information the Commission requires.

Yours sincerely,

Anna Pritchard
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