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Ms Jasmina Ackar Director International Air Services Commission GPO BOX 630 CANBERRA ACT 2601

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Dear Ms Ackar,

## **APPLICATION FOR CAPACITY – HONG KONG ROUTE**

The air services arrangements between Australia and Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China have recently been updated to remove restrictions on frequencies for all cargo services.

## **Allocation Sought**

Qantas seeks an allocation of unlimited frequencies per week in each direction on the Hong Kong route for all cargo services on the following basis:

- For a period of 99 years from the date of the determination;
- The capacity will be fully utilised by 31 January 2025;
- The capacity may be utilised by Qantas, Jetstar or another Australian carrier which is a whollyowned subsidiary of Qantas; and
- The capacity may be used 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' 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,

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