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Via email: Jasmina.Ackar@infrastructure.gov.au

Dear Ms Ackar

Korea Route - Renewal of Determination [2018] IASC 107

I refer to your correspondence of 27 March 2023, in relation to Determination [2018] IASC 107 which allocates capacity to Virgin Australia international Airlines (Virgin Australia) on the Korea route.

As the Commission is aware, Virgin Australia has not historically operated its own services on the Korea route, and instead utilised its capacity allocation as a marketing carrier via a code share agreement with Singapore Airlines.

Virgin Australia's code share arrangements with Singapore Airlines were suspended in March 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic but recommenced in November 2022.

In the Northern Summer 2023 season, Virgin Australia will continue to offer code share services with Singapore Airlines, including on the Korea route, utilising the capacity allocated to it.

Determination [2018] IASC 107

Determination [2018] IASC 107 allocates a total of 1000 seats per week in each direction on the Korea route which may be used for code share services with Singapore Airlines and has not been varied since being first issued by the Commission in 2014.

Virgin Australia advises that it is seeking to renew the Determination for a period of five years and retain the conditions which have previously been set out by the Commission.

IASC Act and Policy Statement Considerations

Virgin Australia requests that the Commission consider this application pursuant to section 25 (1) of the *International Air Services Commission Act 1992* and the 'reasonable capability criterion' as defined in section 8 of the Minister's Policy Statement.

Virgin Australia would be pleased to provide further information if required and thanks the Commission for its consideration of these matters.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Chris Daffey', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Chris Daffey
Head of Government Affairs