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By email

Dear Sir/Madam

Qantas Airways Limited & American Airlines Inc. application for re-authorisation AA1000532 – Final determination

The ACCC has issued a final determination in respect of the application for re-authorisation lodged by Qantas Airways Limited & American Airlines Inc. on 19 October 2020.

For the reasons set out in its determination, the ACCC has decided to re-authorise Qantas and American Airlines to continue their alliance and cooperate operations on routes between and within Australia/New Zealand and the United States, Canada and Mexico (the Trans-Pacific routes) for a further five years, until 16 April 2026.

On 26 February 2021, the ACCC granted interim authorisation to allow Qantas and American Airlines to allow them to continue their alliance while the ACCC considered the application for re-authorisation

A copy of the ACCC's determination and summary of its reasons is available on the ACCC's [authorisations public register](#).

Application for review

Pursuant to section 101 of the *Competition and Consumer Act 2010*, a person dissatisfied with this determination may apply to the Australian Competition Tribunal for a review. An application for review must be made within 21 days of the date of this determination; that is, on or before 15 April 2021. If no application for a review is lodged by this date, the ACCC's determination will come into force on 16 April 2021.

An application for a review of the ACCC's determination should be lodged directly with the Tribunal. The Tribunal is a separate body from the ACCC and is located within the Federal Court of Australia.

For further information about the Tribunal's process to hear applications for review of ACCC determinations please refer to the Tribunal's website at www.competitiontribunal.gov.au.

This letter has been placed on the ACCC's public register. If you wish to discuss any aspect of this matter please do not hesitate to contact Connie Wu on 08 9325 0637.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "DChanning". The signature is stylized with a large, sweeping flourish at the end.

Darrell Channing
Director
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