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Dear Connie,

**Qantas-American Airlines: Application for Authorisation AA1000532**

We refer to the application (**Application**) for authorisation lodged with the Commission on 19 October 2020 by Qantas Airways Limited and American Airlines, Inc (together, the **Applicants**) in relation to the Restated Joint Business Agreement and associated agreements (**Proposed Conduct**) and to the Commission's draft determination dated 26 February 2021 proposing to grant authorisation of the Proposed Conduct for a further five year term.

The Applicants acknowledge that although the Application sought immunity in respect of section 47 of the *Competition and Consumer Act 2010 (Cth)* they are comfortable with section 47 not being included within the scope of the Commission's draft or final determination.

If you have any questions, please contact me on [REDACTED]

Yours sincerely



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