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Dear Mr Humphreys

Thank you for your letter to Professor Fels of 2 December 2002 in which you expressed an interest in the Qantas/British Airways Joint Services Agreement (JSA) and proposed Qantas/Air New Zealand alliance. I am responding on Professor Fels' behalf.

Virgin Atlantic's interest in this matter is appreciated. Please be assured that the Commission will seek your comments on these matters as part of its consultation process with interested parties when responding to the applications for authorisation.

The Commission received an authorisation application for the Qantas/Air New Zealand alliance today and will be writing to potentially interested parties, including yourself, shortly.

An application for re-authorisation of the JSA has yet to be received but is expected fairly soon.

If you would like to discuss any aspect of this matter or have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me on +61 2 6243 1226 or the project manager responsible for the JSA and Qantas/Air New Zealand alliance, Greg Outzen, on +61 2 6243 1227.

Yours sincerely

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