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Dear Mr Gregson

Authorisation A90791 -- IATA Passenger Agency Programme -- Withdrawal of Minor Variation Application

On 9 October 2006, we submitted on behalf of our client, the International Air Transport Association ('IATA') an application for minor variation of Authorisation A90791 to take account of amendments made to the so-called 'Frozen Resolutions' at the 2006 Passenger Agency Conference. A further minor variation application was submitted on 17 October 2006, requesting extension of the duration of Authorisation A90791 with respect to the Frozen Resolutions for a further period of two years.

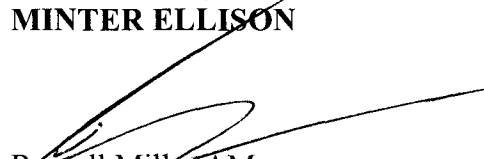
On 1 November 2006, the ACCC indicated that it was not satisfied that the application to extend the duration of the relevant part of Authorisation A90791 could be dealt with as a minor variation. As a consequence, IATA has now submitted a fresh application for authorisation of the Frozen Resolutions, including those amendments subject to the minor variation application of 9 October 2006. The filing of this fresh application makes the minor variation application of 9 October redundant. We are therefore instructed to withdraw the minor variation application of 9 October 2006.

Certain queries were raised by the ACCC in the context of its review of the 9 October minor variation application. In addition, certain interested parties made submissions in relation to that application. In the light of the overlap between the subject matter of the minor variation

application of 9 October and the fresh application for authorisation, IATA has responded or will respond to each of those queries and submissions.

Yours faithfully

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