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Dear Mr Corones and Mr McGuiness

## Etihad Airways and Air Berlin applications for authorisation A91307 & A91308 – final determination

The Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (the ACCC) has issued a determination in respect of the applications for authorisation lodged by Etihad and Air Berlin on 26 April 2012.

A copy of the ACCC's determination is attached, including a summary of its reasons. For the reasons set out in the determination, the ACCC has decided to grant authorisation until 31 August 2022.

## 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 its review. An application for review must be made within 21 days of the date of this determination; that is, on or before 15 August 2012. If no application to review is lodged by this date, the ACCC's determination will come into force on 16 August 2012.

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

For further information about the process involved in reviewing decisions in the Australian Competition Tribunal please refer to the tribunal's website located at <a href="http://www.competitiontribunal.gov.au/">http://www.competitiontribunal.gov.au/</a>.

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 Mark Basile on (03) 9290 1855.

Yours sincerely

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Director

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