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Dear Mr Uthmeyer

Applications for authorisation A91563 & A91564 from Etihad Airways PJSC and Air Serbia AD - interested party consultation

I refer to the above mentioned applications for authorisation lodged with the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (the ACCC) on 7 December 2016.

Please find enclosed, for your information, a copy of the letter the ACCC sent today to potentially interested parties as part of its public consultation process.

All publicly available submissions will be posted on the ACCC internet site at www.accc.gov.au/AuthorisationsRegister. Alternatively, at the end of the consultation period the ACCC can arrange for you to receive a copy of all publicly available submissions received in relation to the application.

Timetable

The ACCC will progress its assessment of the application in a timely manner. An indicative timetable is set out below for your information.

7 December 2016	Lodgement of application and supporting submission.
13 December 2016	Public consultation process begins.
17 January 2017	Closing date for submissions on interim authorisation and draft determination.
25 January 2017	Applicant responds to issues raised in the public consultation process.
February 2017	Interim authorisation and Draft determination.
February – March 2017	Public consultation on draft determination including any conference if called.
March - April 2017	Final determination.

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 Kathryn Burela on (03) 9290 1474.

Yours sincerely

Gavin Jones

Director

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