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By email

Dear Interested Party

Singapore Airlines Limited & Deutsche Lufthansa AG application for authorisation A91542 & A91543 – interested party consultation

The Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (the ACCC) is currently conducting a consultation process on an application for authorisation received from Singapore Airlines Limited & Deutsche Lufthansa AG on 20 June 2016.

The purpose of this letter is to invite you, as a potentially interested party, to comment on the application. Please see the ACCC's publication [Authorisation process - the basics](#) for a summary of the authorisation process and how to make a submission to the ACCC.

Application for authorisation

Singapore Airlines Limited and Deutsche Lufthansa AG and their respective passenger airline subsidiaries, seek authorisation to coordinate their operations between Germany, Austria, Belgium and Switzerland and Singapore, Australia, Indonesia and Malaysia pursuant to a Joint Venture Framework Agreement (Framework Agreement) and related agreements contemplated by the Framework Agreement. A copy of the application is available on the ACCC's website www.acc.gov.au/AuthorisationsRegister.

Request for submissions

The ACCC invites you to make a submission on the likely public benefits and effect on competition, or any other public detriment, from the proposed arrangements.

If you intend to make a submission, please do so by 15 July 2016. Submissions should be emailed to adjudication@acc.gov.au with the subject "A91542 & A91543 – Singapore Airlines Limited & Deutsche Lufthansa AG – submission".

Alternatively, if you would like to provide comments orally, please contact Kabita Prasad on (02) 6243 1187 or via email adjudication@acc.gov.au to organise a suitable time.

Submissions, including oral submissions, will be placed on the ACCC's public register subject to any request for exclusion. Please see the ACCC's [guidelines for excluding information from the public register](#).

Timetable

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

Indicative date	Stage in assessment process
20 June 2016	Lodgement of application and supporting submission
24 June 2016	Public consultation.
15 July 2016	Closing date for submissions
July/August 2016	Applicant responds to issues raised in the public consultation process.
August/September 2016	Draft determination.
September /October 2016	Public consultation on draft determination including conference if called.
November 2016	Final determination.

Please advise if you do not wish to make a submission at this time, but would like to be informed of the progress of the applications at the draft and final determination stages. If you are able to, please provide a nominated contact email address for future correspondence.

You can also forward this letter to any other party who may wish to make a submission to the ACCC regarding the applications.

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 Kabita Prasad on (02) 6243 1187 or adjudication@acc.gov.au.

Yours sincerely



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