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**IATA Response to *Aeronautical Information Publication Flight Priorities review***

The International Air Transport Association (IATA) is the global trade association for the world's airlines, representing some 340 airlines, or over 80% of total air traffic. Our members include Qantas, Virgin Australia and Link Airways, as well as many international airlines who operate services to/from Australia. We support many areas of aviation activity and help formulate industry policy on critical aviation issues.

IATA appreciates the ongoing, transparent consultation processes being undertaken by the Department in relation to aviation policy. We are broadly supportive of the contents of AIP ENR 1.4 – 6. However, considering the breadth of traffic operating to Class C terminal control areas associated with Brisbane, Melbourne, Perth and Sydney,

IATA recommends that consideration be given to the wording of part d(i), factoring in the extended distances of flights from foreign ports rather than being region-specific. Clear parameters for what are included or excluded should be considered to ensure that the response does not give rise to any uncertainty regarding the prioritization of services. The Department may wish to consider further consultation with airline operators before making an informed decision.

We look forward to continuing our discussions with the Government and welcome any questions you may have in relation to the above.