

## SENATE SELECT COMMITTEE ON COMMONWEALTH BILATERAL AIR SERVICE AGREEMENTS

18 September 2023

## **STATEMENT FROM THE CHAIR Senator the Hon Bridget McKenzie**

The Chair is aware of media reports regarding the committee's schedule of public hearings.

All invitees have indicated they are willing to assist the committee with its inquiry. Given the short timeframe of the inquiry, the committee is working expeditiously to finalise hearing programs.

The committee has agreed to hold four public hearings:

- 19 September 2023, Sydney
- 22 September 2023, Perth
- 26 September 2023, Brisbane
- 27 September 2023, Canberra

Committee programs are subject to change until formally adopted by the committee. Until that time, draft programs are confidential.

<u>Senate Standing Order 37</u> prohibits the disclosure of committee information unless authorised by the committee.

Senator the Hon. McKenzie 18/09/2023