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Dear [REDACTED]

I refer to the public hearing of the Joint Standing Committee on Treaties on 27 October 2025, at which witnesses answered questions in relation to the:

- *Agreement between the Government of Australia and the Government of the Republic of Colombia relating to Air Services;*
- *Agreement between the Government of Australia and the Government of the Republic of Peru relating to Air Services; and*
- *Agreement between the Government of Australia and the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia relating to Air Services.*

During the hearing, the Chair asked which Air Services Agreements would be referred to the Committee next. The complete list of these countries is included at **Attachment A**.

The Deputy Chair also asked about international trade transported in the belly space of an international passenger flights to Saudi Arabia. The Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade undertook to provide this answer in writing and the answer is included at **Attachment B**.

Yours sincerely

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Jim Wolfe
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Treaties to be brought forward for consideration by the Committee

The Department is seeking to progress the Air Services Agreements with Nauru, Kiribati and Cambodia for the Committee's consideration.

These will be followed soon afterward by Agreements with Oman and the Seychelles, which were signed in October 2024 and subsequently Agreements with Latvia, Mongolia and Rwanda.

Items which can be transported in the belly space of an international passenger flight to Saudi Arabia.

The belly of international passenger flights transport high-value, time-sensitive, and perishable goods. This can include fresh food, electronics, pharmaceuticals and cosmetic products.