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Air Niugini

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For your notes.

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15 August 2011

Assoc. Prof. Billy Manoka, (PhD)
Commissioner/CEO
Independent Consumer and Competition Commission
PO Box 6394
Boroko, NCD
Port Moresby

Dear Sir,

Re: Withdrawal of application for authorization of proposed code-sharing agreements between Air Niugini and Philippine Airlines.

Air Niugini writes to advise the ICCC that it wishes to withdraw the application for a code-share approval with Philippine Airlines based on then interim agreement provided to the ICCC. Considering the comments included in the draft determination Air Niugini is in further discussions to vary the agreement to comply with ICCC requirements.

In the new agreement in negotiation Air Niugini will seek to have HARD BLOCK approach which seems more appropriately considered by the Commission to promote competition. Air Niugini will require time to conclude these discussions and request your understanding.

Air Niugini wishes to thank the commission for its time and effort in your work to ensure we are compliant with the ICCC Act. Air Niugini believes that given the changed approach, the material and application before the commission is no longer relevant in its current form.

We trust that the ICCC will recognize the changed approach by Air Niugini and agree to the withdrawal of the application.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

For and on behalf of Air Niugini Limited

Wasantha Kumarasiri, OBE
Chief Executive Officer

Air Niugini Limited

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