Adelaide Airport’s continued passenger growth in the second quarter of the financial year was underpinned by 7.0% growth in international customers.

Domestic travel in the 2018 December Quarter calendar year was in line with the prior year, noting that growth in 2017 was particularly strong due to in part to the Ashes Test, as well as noting broader domestic airline capacity declines of almost 2% - particularly between the major cities of Sydney, Melbourne and Brisbane. Declines on mainline domestic sectors were largely offset by growth to smaller cities as well as on regional resource routes. The quarter benefited from the full year impact of Jetstar’s direct services to Hobart as well as Jetstar’s additional Avalon service.

International growth of 7.0% was predominantly driven by increased capacity of 7.4% due to Malaysia Airlines and Cathay Pacific adding an additional service per week as well as China Southern increasing from 3 to 5 services per week (with seasonal daily flights in December). December also welcomed Singapore Airlines’ first A350-900 medium haul aircraft and Fiji Airways’ first Boeing 737Max aircraft, both contributing to the overall increase in capacity and stimulating international traffic growth.

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December 18 2018 – Singapore Airlines’ First A350-900 medium haul aircraft arrives in Adelaide