

Question on notice no. 142

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2025-26 Additional estimates

**Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport Committee, Infrastructure,
Transport, Regional Development, Communications, Sport and the Arts
Portfolio**

Senator Bridget McKenzie: asked the Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications, Sport and the Arts on 23 February 2026—

1. Which organisations and or stakeholders has the Department consult with on the Hong Kong Bilateral Air Services Agreement?
2. Which organisations and or stakeholders did the Department consult with on the Malaysia Bilateral Air Services Agreement?
3. Which organisations and or stakeholders did the Department consult with on the Turkiye Bilateral Air Services Agreement?
4. Which organisations and or stakeholders did the Department consult with on the Vietnam Bilateral Air Services Agreement?
5. Which organisations and or stakeholders did the Department consult with on the Sri Lanka Bilateral Air Services Agreement?
6. Which organisations and or stakeholders did the Department consult with on the Chile Bilateral Air Services Agreement?
7. Which organisations and or stakeholders did the Department consult with on the Canada Bilateral Air Services Agreement?
8. Which organisations and or stakeholders did the Department consult with on the Latvia Bilateral Air Services Agreement?
9. Which organisations and or stakeholders did the Department consult with on the Mongolia Bilateral Air Services Agreement?
10. Which organisations and or stakeholders did the Department consult with on the Rwanda Bilateral Air Services Agreement?
11. When did the Government last consult with Qatar Airways?
12. What was the outcome of that discussion with Qatar Airways?
13. Has the Department produced a formal implementation plan in response to the Select Committee's report?
14. On what date was that plan finalised, and has it been provided to the Minister?
15. How many of the Committee's recommendations have been fully implemented?
16. For recommendations that are not yet implemented, what is the target date for completion?
17. Are there recommendations that the Government does not accept?
18. What support is being considered for smaller airports to implement the requirements of the Consumer Ombuds Scheme?
19. Will funding for the ACCC Domestic Airline Competition Monitoring Program be extended beyond 2026?