***LANDS ACQUISITION ACT 1989***

**PRE-ACQUISITION DECLARATION**

**1. Acquisition**

In accordance with the *Lands Acquisition Act 1989*, I am considering the acquisition of the interests in land specified in paragraph 3 for the public purpose described in paragraph 4.

The Commonwealth of Australia is the acquiring authority.

**2. The Land**

This declaration relates to the whole of the land comprised in Certificate of Title Volume 5617 Folio 290, being Lots 1 and 2 on Title Plan 399063H, known as 185-215 McNabs Road, Melbourne Airport VIC 3045.

The land is approximately 164.22 hectares and is located in the State of Victoria. A plan showing the approximate location of the land is set out in the Schedule.

**3. The Interests in Land**

This declaration relates to the acquisition of the estate in fee simple of the land specified in paragraph 2.

**4. Public Purpose**

The public purpose of the acquisition is trade and commence with other countries, and among the States.

**5. Suitability for use for a public purpose**

The land appears to be suitable for use for the public purpose described in paragraph 4.

**6. Particulars of Proposed Use**

The land specified in paragraph 2, together with certain other land, is proposed:

a. to be incorporated as part of the airport site for the Melbourne (Tullamarine) Airport set out in Part 1.14 of Schedule 1 of the *Airports Regulations 1997*, to the extent this has not already been done; and

b. to be the subject of an airport lease to Australia Pacific Airports (Melbourne) Pty Ltd granted pursuant to section 13 of the *Airports Act 1996*,

for the purposes of facilitating the expansion of the current runway system at the airport as envisaged by Australia Pacific Airports (Melbourne) Pty Ltd’s runway development program detailed in Chapter 6 of the Melbourne Airport 2013 Master Plan (subject to all other relevant approvals being obtained), in order to provide additional capacity and to meet the projected future increase in annual passenger numbers and aircraft movements at the airport.

**7. Reasons why the Land appears to be Suitable for the Proposed Use**

The reason why the land appears to be suitable for the use described in paragraph 6 is because of its close proximity to the existing airport site for the Melbourne (Tullamarine) Airport, which is currently the subject of an airport lease granted pursuant to section 22 of the *Airports (Transitional) Act 1996* to Australia Pacific Airports (Melbourne) Pty Ltd dated 1 July 1997 and which is not large enough to support the projected future increase in annual passenger numbers and aircraft movements at the airport.

DATED this second day of February 2017.

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ANDREW SMITH   
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**Schedule – Location of the Land**

**Map representation of 185-215 McNabs Road to the west of the existing Melbourne Airport site.**

**Note: This Pre-Acquisition Declaration signifies that the Commonwealth is considering acquisition of the interests in land specified in paragraph 3. It does NOT mean that the interests in land have been acquired.**