



Farzian Zainal

Administrator of Christmas Island
Administrator of the Cocos (Keeling) Islands



Community Bulletin

Number: A13/2026

Date: 16 July 2026

Additional air freighter scheduled for IOT

I am pleased to advise that the Australian Government is supporting an additional air freighter service for the Indian Ocean Territories (IOT) this month.

The additional freighter has been scheduled for 31 July 2026. It is supplementary to the fortnightly air freight service, with the next regular freight flight on 24 July.

This ad hoc service has been supported due to the current strong demand for air freight services and level of freight on hand.

I thank our service delivery partners for their support of the additional freighter.

Air services to the IOT are underwritten by the Australian Government.

I also note that there are plans for Qantas to increase freight capacity for the IOT in the future through the introduction of a larger freighter aircraft for the route. We will keep you informed over coming months of relevant updates.

Details about freighter services to the IOT are available at www.freightshop.com.au

[Farzian Zainal, Administrator of Christmas Island and the Cocos \(Keeling\) Islands](#)