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Singapore Airlines to commence daily Canberra service with upgraded aircraft

Canberra Airport welcomes news of Singapore Airlines reinforcing its commitment to Canberra, through now offering a daily service between the two cities, on an upgraded aircraft.

"Flight number SQ288 will depart Canberra daily for Singapore on a Boeing 777-300 ER aircraft, replacing the current four days a week service provided by a Boeing 777-200," Managing Director Stephen Byron said.

"This will allow Canberrans more flexibility in terms of when they fly, and a greater choice of cabin class.

"The 777-300 ER is a modern, and considerably more comfortable aircraft than the 777-200, given it allows passengers to choose from first class, business class, premium economy or economy class travel.

"For the first time Canberrans travelling in first class and business class to Singapore will have access to a full flatbed and other features that take comfort to a new level.

"The 777-300 ER aircraft's premium economy class will also suit the Canberra market very well".

While Canberra Airport is disappointed direct flights to Wellington will be dropped after 30 April, the foundations for a Trans-Tasman service between the two capital cities has now been laid.

"We know now there is a proven opportunity for a service linking Canberra and New Zealand," Mr Byron said.

On 12 February, 2018 Canberra Airport will welcome a second international carrier, when Qatar Airways also commences daily flights to the curfew free airport.

"This will give Canberrans access to Singapore and Doha on a daily basis."

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