



PRIME MINISTER

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ADELAIDE AIRPORT

The Commonwealth has agreed to provide a separate international passenger terminal at Adelaide Airport.

The decision follows discussions on 6 November between myself and the Premier of South Australia. It recognises the importance both governments place on establishing Adelaide as an international gateway.

A number of airlines, including Qantas, have expressed an interest in operating international services into Adelaide.

The facilities, which will be similar to those recently completed at Townsville Airport, will include a separate terminal building, associated apron, taxiway, roads, car park and services. Full health, immigration and customs facilities will also be available.

Planning will proceed immediately so that construction can commence as soon as possible.

Provision of these facilities will allow international services to commence by the end of next year.