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Sydney Airport announces David Gonski AC will succeed Trevor Gerber as Chairman

The Board of Sydney Airport Limited today announced that David Gonski AC will succeed Trevor Gerber as Chairman at the end of the Annual General Meeting to be held on 21 May 2021. Mr Gerber has decided to retire from the Board, having been Chairman since 14 May 2015, and on the Board since May 2002.

Mr Gerber said "My time on the Sydney Airport Board, and in particular my 6 years as Chairman, have been one of the highlights of my career. In 2002 the airport welcomed 24 million passengers a year and it has been a privilege to work with my fellow Board members and management teams to grow that to more than 44 million passengers in 2019. In the last year, the airport has been significantly impacted by COVID-19, and the Board and management have focussed on protecting our people and our business so that we are best placed for recovery. With an experienced management team and tremendous group of employees, a diversified business with a strong financial position and a clear path to recovery as borders open, I believe now is the right time to hand over leadership of the airport.

"I am very pleased that David has agreed to succeed me as Chairman. In his two and a half years on the Board, he has served on both the Audit and Risk Committee and the Safety, Security and Sustainability Committee, and has developed an extensive understanding of the operations of the airport. His previous positions as Chairman of the Australia and New Zealand Banking Group, Coca-Cola Amatil Limited and the Australian Securities Exchange, and his roles as the Chancellor of UNSW, President of the Art Gallery of NSW Trust and Director of the Lowy Institute for International Policy demonstrate his experience in leading a wide variety of organisations and teams. David brings aviation experience and knowledge of the needs of our airline partners through his time as a director of Singapore Airlines Limited from 2006 to 2012."

Mr Gonski said "I would like to thank Trevor for the outstanding contribution he has made to Sydney Airport. Our purpose at the airport is to make Sydney proud every day – and Trevor has truly done this with his leadership, commitment and service. It has been my privilege to serve with him on the Board and I am proud to succeed him as Chairman.

"As Australia opens up its domestic and international borders, I look forward to working with our airport partners and communities to rebuild the airport for the benefit of all stakeholders. Sydney Airport is the gateway to Australia and we are well positioned to make the most of the recovery as it emerges."

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