



# **Flight Crew Incapacitation**

## **Interim Statement**

**Incident Investigation**

**Airbus A350-941**

**B-LRR**

**Enroute from Perth to Hong Kong**

**21 February 2019**

**02-2023**

In accordance with the Hong Kong Civil Aviation (Investigation of Accidents) Regulations (Cap. 448B), an investigation is in progress to determine the circumstances and causes relating to the incident involving a Cathay Pacific Airbus A350-941, registration B-LRR, which was enroute from Perth to Hong Kong on 21 February 2019. While heading towards Hong Kong in Manila Flight Information Region, the Captain experienced a sudden loss of visual acuity.

The occurrence was initially classified as a serious incident according to the criteria of the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) at the time of the occurrence. Based on all collected evidence and the subsequent analysis, the event has been reclassified as an incident in accordance with the latest ICAO guidance on occurrence classification.

After a review, which included representations from the concerned parties, the report has been reassessed and the representations have been incorporated where appropriate. A further notice would be served to the concerned parties in due course in accordance with Regulation 11(4) of Cap. 448B.

In accordance with paragraph 6.6 of Annex 13 to the Convention on International Civil Aviation, if the report cannot be made publicly available within twelve months, the State/Administration conducting the investigation shall make an interim statement publicly available on each anniversary of the occurrence, detailing the progress of the investigation and any safety issues raised.

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## **Air Accident Investigation Authority Information**

**Check the Air Accident Investigation Authority website for information, reports and updates:**

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