## Consulate General of Pakistan Toronto

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Press Release

## Assistance to Pakistanis who are stranded or facing difficulties due to COVID-19 situation in the Greater Toronto Area (GTA)

In the wake of the COVID-19, the Government of Pakistan decided to suspend operations of all International Passenger, Chartered and Private Aircraft inbound flights to Pakistan with effect from 21 March 2020 until 4 April 2020. The temporary suspension measures had to be taken due to exceptional circumstances.

As per the instructions of the Government of Pakistan, the Consulate General of Pakistan, Toronto is actively engaged in reaching out to the Pakistanis who may be stranded in the Greater Toronto Area (GTA). It is our topmost priority to assist the stranded Pakistanis and to ensure their safety and well-being.

We request all Pakistani nationals including students, who are facing hardship due to the cancellation of flights, to contact the Mission on following e-mail addresses with complete details including their contact number:

> pareptoronto.dcg@gmail.com pareptoronto.cg@gmail.com

We wish to assure our nationals that we are here to facilitate them in the difficult situation created by the COVID-19. As soon as we come to know of any case where assistance is needed, the Mission, in coordination with local authorities, will provide the best possible relief.

The responses of our nationals, who are stranded in GTA, will also enable the Consulate to keep them updated on the status of resumption of international flights as and when that happens.

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