## Consulate General of Pakistan Toronto

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## Press Release

## Repatriation of Pakistanis stranded in Canada

A special PIA flight carrying 250 passengers left Toronto for Lahore today. The passengers who boarded today's flight included Pakistanis on short visit visa, Pakistani students and those having family emergencies in Pakistan. The passengers had registered with the Consulate General of Pakistan since March 2020.

- 2. Consul General of Pakistan, Toronto, Mr. Abdul Hameed, saw off the passengers at the airport. In his interaction with the passengers, the Consul General appreciated their patience and understanding of the current global COVID-19 crisis and reiterated commitment of the Government of Pakistan towards its citizens and expatriates. The Consul General also presented safety pouches containing gloves, masks and hand sanitizers to the passengers.
- 3. The Consulate General of Pakistan is in close contact with the stranded Pakistanis not only in the Greater Toronto Area but also in other provinces through the process of registration which was launched by the Consulate in March 2020. The registration is ongoing and the Consulate will continue its coordination with the community.

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