

Consulate General of Pakistan
Toronto

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Press Release

The repatriation of stranded Pakistanis

A special PIA flight PK-798 has left Toronto for Islamabad today at 1455 hrs with more than 250 passengers on board. Most of the passengers were stranded in Canada due to the suspension of normal flights operation in the wake of COVID-19.

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 the 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.

The passengers greatly appreciated the efforts of the High Commission of Pakistan, Ottawa, and the Consulates General in Toronto and Vancouver for the smooth repatriation exercise and also for maintaining close contact with the Pakistan community.

This was the third flight from Toronto to Pakistan for the repatriation of Pakistanis. Earlier, 145 and 250 Pakistanis were repatriated on 3 April and 14 May respectively.

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