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Esteemed Compatriots,

The Holy Month of Ramadhan with its bountiful blessings is drawing to an end. May Allah accept our prayers and efforts made during this holy month. I would like to take this opportunity to wish you in advance a very happy Eid ul Fitr.

I empathise with all of you that Eid is hampered by the COVID-19 pandemic. Though we are away from our loved ones and have to observe social distancing, I am confident that with Allah's will and mercy this situation will also pass. We all need to be patient and steadfast in these trying times.

I would like to inform you all that in response to the COVID appeal by Pakistan the government of Canada has been gracious enough to contribute CAD\$ 850,000 to the World Health Organization, assistance to fight COVID-19 and CAD\$ 01 million to the UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA) Pakistan Humanitarian Pooled Fund.

Pakistan government within its limited resources is also trying its best to combat this pandemic. We have arranged three repatriation flights from Canada to Pakistan and number of flights from Pakistan to Canada. We at the High Commission are always ready to assist our community members to the best of our abilities and remain committed to serving our nation.

I would also like to thank those of you who have contributed to the Prime Minister's COVID-19 Pandemic Relief Fund-2020. Your contributions will ameliorate the sufferings of Pakistanis affected by this pandemic.

I must implore all of you to abide by the Canadian regulations as the country is slowly and cautiously opening up. It is our moral duty to observe necessary precautions for our own safety as well as that of others.

Yours sincerely

(Raza Bashir Tarar)