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Global Pilots on the Aircraft Accident of flight PK661 near Havelian, Pakistan

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MONTREAL, Canada – The International Federation of Air Line Pilots' Associations (IFALPA) expresses its most sincere condolences to the families of the passengers and crew of Pakistan International Airlines Flight 661, who lost loved ones in the accident near Havelian, Pakistan today. Our thoughts are with all who have been touched by this tragedy.

In order to learn from such an event and to prevent any repetition, IFALPA stresses the need for a technical investigation into the circumstances of this accident strictly following the provisions laid out in ICAO Annex 13. Its objective should be to determine the accident's contributing factors and make the necessary safety recommendations.

IFALPA's accident investigation experts and their operational knowledge of the ATR 42-500 aircraft are at the disposal of the officially involved investigation agencies for advice or consultation during both the investigation process and the drafting of the accident report and related safety recommendations.

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