

Global Airline Pilots on Metrojet flight 9268

MONTREAL, Canada – The International Federation of Air Line Pilots' Associations (IFALPA) would like to express its most sincere condolences to the families of the passengers and crew of Metrojet flight 9268 who lost their loved ones in today's accident in the Sinai Peninsula.

In order to learn from such event and prevent any repetition, IFALPA stresses the need for the technical investigation into the circumstances of this accident to be conducted according to the principles laid out in ICAO Annex 13. Its only objective should be to find the accident's contributing factors and make the necessary safety recommendations.

Whilst the search and rescue efforts are taking place, IFALPA emphasizes the need to avoid speculation as to what happened to the aircraft. The Federation has reached out to the Egyptian Air Line Pilots' Associations and will offer its technical expertise to the Egyptian Accident Investigation Agency in order to help gather facts and any other information which may be pertinent to this tragic event.

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Note to Editors: The International Federation of Air Line Pilots' Associations represents in excess of 100,000 pilots in more than 100 countries world-wide. IFALPA's mission is to be the global voice of airline pilots, promoting the highest level of aviation safety and security world-wide and providing services, support and representation to all of its Member Associations.

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