

**SENATE OF PAKISTAN**  
**House of the Federation**



**REPORT NO.03**

**REPORT OF THE SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ON AVIATION**

"A Point of Public Importance, raised by Senator Muhammad Azam Khan Swati, regarding  
Transfer of dead bodies from abroad through PIA in the Senate Sitting held on 17<sup>TH</sup>  
AUGUST, 2022."

**PRESENTED BY**

**Senator Hidayat Ullah**  
**Chairman**  
**Senate Standing Committee on Aviation**

**SENATE SECRETARIAT**

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POINT OF PUBLIC IMPORTANCE, RAISED BY SENATOR MUHAMMAD  
AZAM KHAN SWATI, REGARDING TRANSFER OF DEAD BODIES FROM  
ABROAD THROUGH PIA IN THE SENATE SITTING HELD ON 17TH  
AUGUST, 2022.**

I, Senator Hidayat Ullah, Chairman Standing Committee on Aviation, have the honor to submit, on behalf of Committee, this report "A Point of Public Importance, raised by Senator Muhammad Azam Khan Swati, regarding Transfer of dead bodies from abroad through PIA in the Senate Sitting held on 17<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST, 2022."

2. The composition of the Committee is as under: -

1	Senator Hidayat Ullah	Chairman
2	Senator Syed Muzafar Hussain Shah	Member
3	Senator Syed Muhammad Sabir Shah	Member
4	Senator Faisal Saleem Rahman	Member
5	Senator Mian Raza Rabbani	Member
6	Senator Sherry Rehman	Member
7	Senator Aon Abbas	Member
8	Senator Mohsin Aziz	Member
9	Senator Saleem Mandviwala	Member
10	Senator Afnan Ullah Khan	Member
11	Senator Dilawar Khan	Member
12	Minister for Aviation Division	Ex-Officio Member

3. The Committee considered the matter and held conclusive in its meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> October, 2022, under the Chairmanship of Senator Hidayat Ullah, with the following in attendance:

1. Senator Afnan Ullah khan	Member
2. Senator Saleem Mandviwala	Member
3. Senator Sherry Rehman	Member
4. Senator Muhammad Azam Khan Swati	Mover
5. Senator Behramand Khan Tangi	Mover
6. Senator Naseeb Ullah Bazai	Mover

4. To the matter of Transfer of dead bodies from abroad through PIA, Senator Azam Khan Swati briefed the Committee about the incident of delayed flight on 14<sup>th</sup> August, 2022. He highlighted the negligence and inhuman behavior of PIA on ground staff of Dubai International airport, with Passengers of flight (PK212), en-route to Islamabad. It was apprised that the flight was 18-30 hours late and two dead bodies were booked in the same flight. Senator Azam Khan Swati showed grave concerns on the behavior of PIA staff and asked for stringent action against the culprits. PIA official informed the Committee that the aircraft was declared (AOG) by the Engineering as Flight PK 212 developed a technical issue before the pushback; therefore, all passengers were disembarked from the aircraft. PIA offered valid resident holders the option to travel from Sharjah and 27 passengers agreed to travel through Sharjah on PK 182/14 August (Sharjah-Islamabad), whereas, rest of the passengers were made to stay in the departure lounge. The dead bodies booked with the flight were sent to cold storage in the cargo section. The passengers were served breakfast, lunch and refreshments, while, the premium economy class passengers were sent to Marhaba lounge. The flight was cleared at 16:00 LT by engineering and departed at 18:40 LT. CEO PIA informed the Committee that after completing the inquiry, Mr. Noor Shan and Mr. Saeed Gul, PIA employees, working at Dubai airport, had been issued explanation letters. Upon receiving their replies, PIA management has issued warning letters. Furthermore, both the employees have been suspended and advised to report at Town Office Dubai. Country Manager has been advised to evaluate their retention or otherwise as per local labor laws and the case for their termination may also be

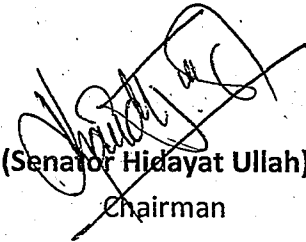
considered. Outcome of the same will be submitted to the Committee accordingly.

5. The Committee disposed-off the matter with the directions that stern action should be taken against the culprits under intimation to the Committee so that such incidents may not occur in future.

6. The Committee disposed-off the matter for onward report to the House.



(Syed Khurram Hussain Naqvi)  
Secretary Committee



(Senator Hidayat Ullah)  
Chairman