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Global Pilots on Ethiopian flight ET302

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MONTREAL - 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 affected by today's tragic accident of Ethiopian Airlines flight ET302, a Boeing 737 Max 8 (reg. ET-AVJ) that crashed shortly after take-off from Bole International Airport in Addis Ababa.

IFALPA stresses the need to avoid speculation as to what happened to the aircraft. The Federation has reached out to the Ethiopian Air Line Pilots' Association and will offer the advice and assistance of accident investigation experts familiar with the B737 Max aircraft to the Ethiopian Accident Investigation Agency.

IFALPA reiterates the need for the technical investigation into the circumstances of this accident to strictly follow the provisions laid out in ICAO Annex 13, with the main objective being the gathering of facts, the determination of the accident's contributing factors and the drafting of safety recommendations that will prevent any reoccurrence.

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