



KARACHI: Managing Director PIA, Captain Muhammad Aijaz Haroon and Senior Officers in a meeting with Council of Employees of PIA (CEPIA) at the Head Office on Thursday discussing the welfare of the airline and ways and means to turn around the Corporation.

## PIA, CEPIA agree to improve airline by cost cutting

KARACHI: Managing Director PIA, Captain Muhammad Aijaz Haroon and Senior Officers of PIA employees (CEPIA) in a meeting held at Head Office unanimously agreed to improve the organisation by cost cutting and proactive service for making the airline efficient and profitable. Managing Director PIA, Captain Muhammad Aijaz Haroon accompanied by Senior Officers discussed the handicaps being faced by the Corporation with CEPIA a representative body of Pilots, Engineers, Technicians, Employees Collective Bargaining Agent (CBA) and the Senior Staff Association.

Captain Sohail Bahach led the CEPIA team accompanied by General Secretary CBA, Kamran Chaudhry, President SEAP, Mr. Shaukat Jamshaid, General Secretary SEAP, Zaki Farooq, President FENA, Aziz Suharwardy, General Secretary FENA, Nadeem Alghan, President ATAP, Najeeb Ur Rehman, General Secretary ATAP, Maqsood Anwar, President PIASSA, Asad Sadiq,

CEPIA expressed their resentment on the liberal Open Sky Policy, which was hurting the National Flag Carrier quoting countries like Germany and France, which discourages Open Sky Policy. They demanded that PIA management should also protest over the Open Sky Policy with the government for allowing foreign carriers operate in Pakistan.

MD PIA said that PIA management has always and at every forum presented the airline's point of view. He emphasised on the CEPIA representatives that at the moment, it is necessary to make the Corporation profitable for which saving and cost cutting in daily operational matters was one way of improving the financial condition of the airline.

Employees Representatives wholeheartedly supported the idea of saving. MD PIA decided to form a Committee comprising three representatives of PIA Management and three employees representatives of CEPIA to ensure cost cutting on expenses.

On the request of CEPIA another committee was formed comprising two members of CEPIA and officials of Human Resource Department to solve the pension issues of retired employees.—PR

### PIA management and CEPIA to improve airlines

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## Etihad Airways starts Ebril flights

LAHORE (PT) - Etihad Airways, the national airline of the United Arab Emirates (UAE), has commenced flights from its home base in Abu Dhabi to Ebril, becoming the first UAE carrier to operate to northern Iraq.

Etihad operates two return services per week with two-class Airbus A330 aircraft and provides smooth two-way connections from Karachi, Lahore and Islamabad.

The commencement of Etihad's services to Ebril follows the successful launch of the airline's flights to Baghdad in April this year, which quickly grew from three services per week to a daily service.

James Hogan, Etihad Airways' Chief Executive Officer, said: "Etihad is delighted to be the first UAE carrier to operate both Baghdad and Ebril. The response to our services to Iraq has been overwhelmingly positive and we are expecting a high volume of traffic on this new route."

"Iraq is a key market for Etihad and will be an important focus for the airline in 2010. We believe the new route will attract leisure travellers from Iraq who are looking for short breaks within the Gulf region, as well as business customers, friends and relatives travelling between the UAE and Ebril."