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PAKISTAN AIRLINE PILOTS' ASSOCIATION

AFFILIATED WITH : INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF AIR LINE PILOTS' ASSOCIATIONS & INTERNATIONAL TRANSPORT WORKERS FEDERATION.

Dear Members:-

February 24, 2012.

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By the grace of ALLAH Almighty and your overwhelming support, I have been re-elected as your President. I am extremely grateful to the Entire Membership for reposing faith and confidence in me which is accepted as a sacred trust.

I am fortunate to have been blessed with an experienced and talented Vice President Capt. Matin Bhurgri, General Secretary Capt. Zarak Khan and Treasurer Capt. S. M. Qasim and members of the Executive Committee who have shown their full support and cooperation for the betterment of our Association and Airline.

INSHALLAH, I and my team would do my utmost for the membership and the Association. I seek your support and guidance and my doors are always open for all members.

My top priority would be focussing on resolving (1) Pension issue (2) Arbitrary clauses in PIA S&D regulations specially 24(a), (3) Enhancing Retirement Age to 65 years (4) re-negotiation of the financial clause of PALPA-PIAC Working Agreement 2011-2013 (5) Implementation of PALPA-PIAC Working Agreement 2011-2013 (6) Making PIAMS functional (7) Acquiring land for PCHS in Karachi, Lahore & Islamabad (08) issues relating to acquiring of new aircrafts (9) Career Planning according to the new fleet plan (10) Long awaited issue of Seniority of pilots inducted from 2001 till 2009. Apart from this, I would be concentrating on various issues/problems being faced by the Islamabad and Lahore base crew and have decided to have Executive Committee meetings periodically at such stations. I have already constituted committee comprising of Capt. Zarak Khan and Capt. S. M. Qasim to recommend minimum room rates for Islamabad and Lahore based crew on transition training at Karachi.

In order to bridge the communication gap between the Executive Committee and the membership, Capt. Jehangir, Executive Committee Member, has been made focal person to keep the membership abreast of the latest development on daily basis via Facebook, e-mail and SMS. He would be compiling input received from the membership and would submit in the next Executive Committee meeting for necessary action.

I would request the membership that in case of any assistance is required from PALPA; the same may kindly be communicated to me by sending me an e-mail to <u>info@palpa.org.pk</u>.

My colleagues elected by you also join me in thanking you all for giving us the opportunity of serving at PALPA.

May ALLAH almighty give us the strength and guidance towards achieving our goals. Ameen!

Thanking you in anticipation,

Yours sincerely,

Capt. Suhail Baluch PRESIDENT