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MONTREAL - The International Federation of Air Line Pilots' Associations (IFALPA) is closely monitoring the developments related to yesterday's accident of Sriwijaya Air Flight 182, a Boeing 737-500 that crashed into the Java Sea about 20km north of Jakarta, Indonesia shortly after take-off from Soekarno-Hatta International Airport, Jakarta.

Our thoughts are with the families of the pilots, crew members, and passengers who lost their lives aboard the aircraft. We send support and wishes to the teams searching for remains, wreckage, and possible survivors.

Whilst the emergency and recovery efforts are still taking place, IFALPA stresses the need to avoid speculation and theories as to the circumstances of this accident. The Federation has reached out to its Member Association in Indonesia, Ikatan Pilot Indonesia, and already made contact with the National Transportation Safety Committee of Indonesia (KNKT) to offer its technical expertise and help gather facts and any other safety and security information which may be pertinent to this tragic event.

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