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**Press release**

**Second non- scheduled flight evacuated stranded Bangladeshis from Australia**

A special flight of Singapore Airlines organized by the Bangladesh High Commission in Canberra in association with Melton Travel Centre has evacuated 175 stranded Bangladeshis today at 1210 hrs from Sydney. The flight will arrive at the Shahjalal International Airport in Dhaka today at 2215 hrs (Local time) after a stopover at Singapore. The earlier evacuation flight organized by the High Commission left Melbourne on 8 May 2020.

All passengers were notified to carry up-to-date COVID-19 symptom free or COVID- 19 free certificate issued within three days before departure and procedure and requirements of home/institutional quarantine were communicated.

With the second flight, majority of stranded Bangladeshis have returned. Based on the available information on possible resumption of commercial flights to a few destinations from Dhaka, imperative for any such special flights in future to evacuate stranded Bangladeshis from Australia has reduced significantly.

Bangladesh High Commission wishes to thank appropriate authorities of Bangladesh and Australia for cooperation in organizing the flight.

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