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IFATCA Statement on the Tragic Accident at Washington National Airport

The International Federation of Air Traffic Controllers' Associations (IFATCA) extends its deepest condolences to all those affected by the tragic accident at Washington National Airport in Washington, DC.

We stand in solidarity with the air traffic controllers at the Washington National air traffic control tower, Potomac TRACON and the members of the National Air Traffic Controllers Association (NATCA) during this difficult time. We acknowledge the immense challenges they face in the aftermath of such incidents and remain committed to providing support as needed throughout both the grieving process and the investigation.

As always, we urge the public to refrain from speculation. A thorough, independent investigation is essential to establishing the facts and identifying lessons that can enhance aviation safety. Preserving the integrity of this process is crucial to maintaining trust, accountability, and the highest standards of safety within the aviation community and across the aviation system.

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