

Media Update

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**Support the Prevention Efforts of the Spread of Covid-19
PT Freeport Indonesia Stops Passenger Flights to Timika**

Timika - Responding to the current condition of global pandemic of COVID-19, PT Freeport Indonesia (PTFI) took further steps to protect the workforce and the community from potential sources of transmission of the incoming virus by restricting all trips entering Timika, and PTFI project area, and limit the movement of personnel from the Lowlands to the Highlands.

Since March 26, the company has temporarily suspended Airfast passenger flight services to Timika. However, cargo flights, transport of medical personnel, sending blood samples and other medical aspects are still carried out to meet the basic needs of the community / employees in Timika and Tembagapura, by maximizing local health protocols. Flight permission out of Timika is given by the Regional Government only for evacuation purposes for medical reasons recommended by doctors.

In addition, PTFI also stopped buying or booking airplane tickets to Timika for employees, contractors and family members who came to the PTFI project area with commercial flights.

This step was taken as a form of company support for the directives and policies of the Mimika Regent of Papua Province in preventing, controlling and overcoming Covid-19 in Mimika Regency.

PTFI Corporate Communication VP Riza Pratama said, "Covid-19 is a pandemic that requires the collaboration of all parties to control it. We strongly support policies issued by the government and are ready to participate. We continue to monitor the development of the situation and evaluate the possibility of extending the date of stopping passenger flights, by continuing to coordinate with the government. However, during this period, we still prepare Airfast aircraft for evacuation needs, if needed."

To ensure that cargo, medical and evacuation flights using Airfast are carried out safely, PT Freeport Indonesia has redoubled aircraft safety and hygiene procedures. Some of these include spraying disinfectants on the cargo carried, measuring body temperature to all parties involved in the flight process, and equipping flight crews with complete personal protection equipment.

"It is true that PT Freeport Indonesia's Airfast and all other commercial aircraft have not been carrying passengers to and from Timika since the end of March. The central government has also been informed and approved of the policy of stopping passenger flights. Thank you to all parties who have supported the implementation of existing policies. Let's focus on the prevention of the spread of Covid-19, as well as managing the impact," said Mimika Deputy Regent Johannes Rettob.

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