Ahmed Al- Jaber Al-Sabah and His Royal Highness Prince Khalifa bin Salman Al Khalifa and conveys its heartfelt condolences to them in their hour of grief.

I request Members to rise in their places and observe silence as a mark of respect to the memory of the departed.

(Hon. Members then stood in silence for one minute)

MR. CHAIRMAN: Secretary-General will convey to the members of the bereaved families our sense of profound sorrow and deep sympathy.

REFERENCE BY THE CHAIR

MR. CHAIRMAN: Hon. Members, 62 persons lost their lives when a Sriwijaya Air Flight SJ182 crashed into the Java Sea on the 9th of January, 2021 shortly after takeoff from Jakarta Airport.

The loss of precious lives and injury to people in this tragic incident is indeed painful and unfortunate.

This House joins me in expressing our heartfelt condolences as well as deep sympathy and sorrow on the losses suffered by the people of Indonesia and reiterate India's stand of solidarity with them in their hour of grief.

I request Members to rise in their places and observe silence as a mark of respect to the memory of those who lost their lives in this tragic incident.

(Hon. Members then stood in silence for one minute)

OBSERVATIONS BY THE CHAIR

MR. CHAIRMAN: Hon. Members may kindly note that the normal seating arrangement with fixed Seat/Division Nos. has been dispensed with in this Session as was done in the previous Session. The number of seats for each party at different places, that is, Rajya Sabha Chamber, Rajya Sabha Gallaries and Lok Sabha Chamber, has been fixed as per their numerical strength for allocation amongst their Members by the respective parties. ...(Interruptions)... Silence, please. ...(Interruptions)...