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Dear Sushma Ji,

Subject: Urge your intervention in safe medical evacuation of Indian citizen in coma after an accident in Maryland, United States.

I am writing to you urging your immediate intervention to evacuate Col. Virendra Singh Rawat (Retd), who met with a near-fatal accident in Gaithersburg, Maryland in the United States of America on 12 October 2018.

He has suffered severe brain injuries, skull and facial fractures. He has also undergone craniectomy (portion of skull removed) on 15 Oct 2018 and remains unconscious.

His son and family have reached out to me on social media and has also written an email to me (copy enclosed) requesting immediate help for safe medical evacuation. I have in turn requested your help via Twitter.

Given the seriousness of the accident and the precarious condition of Col. Rawat (Retd) I request through you for assistance from the Indian Embassy in Washington DC to facilitate his safe return to India.

I have been informed that queries made by the family to Air India remain unanswered and the family are desperately looking to evacuate Col. Rawat to India.

Looking forward to your kind intervention and support for the family.

Yours sincerely,

RAJEEV CHANDRASEKHAR

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----- Original Message -----

From: **Anshuman S Rawat** <rawat.anshuman@gmail.com>

Date: Dec 5, 2018 7:53:58 PM

Subject: Col. Virendra S Rawat - veteran & ex-BPL Mobile

To: rajeev.c@sansad.nic.in

Sir,

My father (ret'd) Col. Virendra Singh Rawat (also ex-BPL Mobile) was hit by a car on 12 Oct 2018, here in Gaithersburg, Maryland, USA. He suffered severe brain injuries, skull & facial fractures among other things. He's had a craniectomy (portion of skull removed) on 15 Oct 2018. He remains unconscious.

We are looking to bring him back in India (he and my mom are on tourist visa) and have been talking to medical evac providers. According to them, Air India is not responding to queries (shortest & direct flight from DC to Delhi).

If possible, we need safe transportation with enough oxygen supply onboard, space for necessary medical equipment and quick immigration at Delhi.

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Thank you for the quick reply on twitter.

Sincerely,

Anshuman S Rawat

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