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The following circular is promulgated for information, guidance and necessary action

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Update on Corona Virus Disease (COVID-19) in Tanzania

This has reference to the Travel Advisory No. 2 of 4 April 2020 issued by the Government of the United Republic of Tanzania through the Ministry of Health, Community Development, Gender, Elderly and Children. Given the fact that cases of COVID-19 have increasingly been reported and confirmed in the United Republic of Tanzania, the Government has instituted additional travel measures to limit the spread of the pandemic to the general public. In light of that consideration, all travelers to the United Republic of Tanzania and other aviation stakeholders are strongly advised to observe the following:

1. All individuals currently residing in the United Republic of Tanzania are strongly advised to postpone all non-essential travel to other countries due to regional and global impact of the COVID-19. This is still effective;
2. Effective 11 April 2020, authorizations for scheduled and non-scheduled international passenger flights into and out of the United Republic of Tanzania have been suspended until further notice;
3. Without prejudice to paragraph 2, the Government, under exceptional circumstances and upon receipt of a request from the operator, may grant an authorization for picking or dropping passengers from or in the United Republic of Tanzania. On such circumstances, all travelers whether foreigners or returning residents entering the United Republic of Tanzania will be subjected to a mandatory isolation for fourteen (14) days at their own cost at designated facilities identified by the Government. After Fourteen (14) days of Mandatory Quarantine, passengers with no symptoms of COVID-19, will be allowed to leave the facilities immediately after registering their personal information for future follow-up
4. Measures relating to aircraft carrying goods and services:
 - a) Crew members will be subjected to an enhanced screening at airports of entry and may be quarantined or isolated at designated facilities in case they are suspected of COVID-19 infection;
 - b) The aircraft will be decontaminated if crew members are suspected to have COVID-19;
 - c) In case crew are quarantined or isolated while in transit, aircraft owners/operators must make necessary arrangements to back-up their crew to ensure that goods are delivered to the intended destination;
 - d) Crew for cargo planes will be quarantined at designated places for the period of their stay.
5. Air operators, except cargo operators, whose complete routing requires change of crew, should maintain two sets of crew to work in rotation in order to minimise chances of being subjected to a Mandatory Quarantine;



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6. All travelers will be subjected to an intensive screening including rapid testing for COVID-19 if deemed necessary;
7. All travelers are reminded to truthfully fill-in Traveler Surveillance Forms available onboard, or in any other transport means and submit them to Port Health Authorities upon arrival;
8. Front line staff at all airports shall wear masks and/or gloves as may be prescribed by Port Health Authorities;
9. All international arriving passengers shall dispose-of their masks after use during travel at designated waste collection containers upon arrival;
10. All airports must install sanitizers at multiple locations at their respective Terminal Buildings. Passengers, crew and staff at the airports must sanitize their hands as many times as possible or as may be prescribed by Port Health Authorities at those airports. This is still effective;
11. All Stakeholders should undertake all other measures in line with respective airport Public Health Emergency Response and Preparedness Plans.
12. In case of any medical emergency while in the United Republic of Tanzania, please call the toll-free **Health Emergency Number 199**.

This Circular will be updated as the situation evolves, and the Government of the United Republic of Tanzania gives more directives to curb the scourge.

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