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

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AIR TRAVEL RELATED MEASURES FOR THE OUTBREAK OF CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19)

This refers to the Travel Advisory No. 5 of 5 August 2020 issued by the Government of the United Republic of Tanzania on air travel-related measures for fighting spread of the COVID-19 pandemic.

The Government has been instituting various preventive measures with a goal of limiting the spread of the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic in the country. After reviewing the current situation of the COVID-19 infection in the country, we have observed a decreasing trend of admitted cases as evidenced by the closure of COVID-19 Isolation/Treatment Centres. Furthermore, despite opening of public/private schools and resumption of sports activities, the situation has remained safe. However, there is a likelihood of importation of cases from other countries.

In view of the aforementioned, the Government has slightly modified the Travel Advisory No. 4 of 20 July 2020 and come up with version No. 5 which takes an effect on 5 August 2020 to accommodate additional measures related to international travel. This has necessitated review of AIC 12/20 (White 140) of 30 July 2020 so as to accommodate additional measures related to international air travel. In view of this fact, all air operators, travelers to/out of the United Republic of Tanzania and other aviation stakeholders are advised to observe the following:

1. Effective 18 May 2020, the Government of the United Republic of Tanzania has lifted the restriction of authorizations for scheduled and non-scheduled international passenger flights into and out of United Republic of Tanzania which has been in effect since 11 April 2020. This therefore means, international commercial flight operations are resumed. This is still in effect;
2. All travelers whether foreigners or returning residents entering or leaving the United Republic of Tanzania will be subjected to enhanced screening for COVID-19 infection. There will be no 14 days mandatory quarantine. This is still in effect;
3. All travelers whether foreigners or returning residents whose countries or airlines require them to get tested for COVID-19 and turn negative, as a condition for travelling, will be required to present a certificate upon arrival. Travelers from other countries with symptoms and signs related to COVID-19 infection, will undergo enhanced screening and may be tested for RT-PCR;

4. Crew members shall not be subjected to present a negative test COVID-19 certificate as a condition of entry or departure. However, they will be screened for symptoms and signs in line with the country's protocol;
5. While in the country, all international travelers should observe adherence to Infection, Prevention and Control measures such as hand hygiene, wearing masks and keeping physical distancing as deemed appropriate;
6. All travelers are required to truthfully fill out Traveler's Surveillance Form available onboard or in any other transport means and submit to Port Health Authorities upon arrival;
7. All international arriving passengers shall dispose-of their masks after use during travel at designated waste collection containers upon arrival;
8. All arriving/departing flights must provide Advance Passenger Information so as to allow the Points of Entry Authorities to scrutinize the manifest for possible high-risk passenger identification;
9. Cargo flights will be allowed based on respective Bilateral Air Services Agreements (BASAs) between United Republic of Tanzania and other countries. This rescinds any prior arrangement contrary to BASAs;
10. The Government, upon fulfillment of applicable requirements by operators, will continue to authorize flight operations into the United Republic of Tanzania for different purposes including overflights, humanitarian aid, medical and relief, diplomatic missions and other safety-related operations;
11. Pilot In-command of a flight should prior to arrival, submit to Port Health Authority the duly filled-in flight health declaration forms (Health Part of the Aircraft General Declaration);
12. All airports must ensure availability and effective use of sanitizers at multiple locations at their respective Terminal Buildings;
13. All service providers at airports should observe adherence to Infection Prevention and Control measures such as hand hygiene, wearing masks and keeping physical distancing as appropriate;
14. Aircraft will be subjected to decontamination if deemed necessary;
15. All Stakeholders should undertake all other measures in line with respective airport Public Health Emergency Response and Preparedness Plans;
16. In case of any medical emergency while in the United Republic of Tanzania, please call the toll-free **Health Emergency Number 199**.
17. This Circular replaces earlier Circulars issued on this subject.

This Circular will be updated as the situation evolves, and the Government of the United Republic of Tanzania gives more directives on this pandemic.

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