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To: Immigration and Naturalization Directorate
To: The Somali Civil Aviation Authority
To: Aden Abdulle International Airport Administration and Security Manager
To: The Office of the Security Agency at Aden Abdulle Airport
To: Aden Abdulle Airport Police Station
Cc: Ministry of Transport and Civil Aviation
Cc: Ministry of Internal Security
Cc: Ministry of Foreign Affairs

Subject: Implementation of the new Covid-19 Procedure

The Ministry of Health and Human Services would like to inform all the Ministries, Departments and Agencies to which this letter is addressed to, that a new Covid-19 procedure is issued by the Ministry of Health on 9 April 2022 which is to be implemented by the concerned Agencies. The Federal Government of Somalia continuously monitoring the COVID-19 situation in the country as well as in other countries. Since the emergence of OMICRON wave months ago, the rate of new infections is currently very low in most countries—including Somalia. Therefore, all domestic COVID-19 related restrictions are lifted including public gathering, such as sporting events, public demonstrations, weddings and similar events.

To mitigate the risk of Covid-19 infection transmission from the immigration movement; All international travels entering the country must have a COVID19 test Certificate (Covid-19 PCR negative Certificate), which is issued within no more than 72 hours of travel. However, people traveling to Somalia, who are fully immunized with Covid-19 vaccine and have a Vaccination Card with QR Code issued by an Authorized agency or institutions, are exempted from the PCR COVID19 Test Certificate Requirements.

International travelers departing from Somalia are required to abide by the COVID-19 related travel and health requirements of their destination. People traveling from Somalia, on the other hand, must have a COVID19 test Certificate (Covid-19 PCR Negative Certificate) and/or a COVID19 Vaccination Card with QR Code issued by the Federal Ministry of Health (only valid for travel).

Therefore, from 18 April 2022, the Office of the Ministry of Health and Human Services at Aden Abdulle International Airport is directed to implement the new Covid-19 procedure for international travelers, ensuring that all travelers do comply with the New COVID19 procedure for international travelers, in close collaboration with concerned Ministries, Departments and Agencies of Federal Government of Somalia.

Best Regards

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Enclosure: New issued SOMALI GUIDELINES FOR COVID-19 PREVENTION AND CONTROL



**MINISTRY OF HEALTH
FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF SOMALIA
SOMALI GUIDELINES FOR COVID-19 PREVENTION AND CONTROL
ISSUED ON: 9 APRIL 2022**

The Federal Government of Somalia is closely monitoring the COVID-19 situation in the country as well as in others countries. Since the emergence of OMICRON wave couple of months ago, the rate of new infections is currently very low in most countries—including Somalia.

In view of this and starting from April 9, 2022, the Federal Ministry of Health and Human Service—like many countries in the region and elsewhere—is relaxing its covid-19 guidelines, including travel restrictions.

GUIDELINES TO CONTROL THE SPREAD OF COVID-19 WITHIN THE COUNTRY:

The Federal Government of Somalia urges the general public to adhere to the following guidelines & protocols:

1. All domestic COVID-19 related restrictions are lifted including public gathering, such as sporting events, public demonstrations, weddings and similar events
2. Within health facilities, adhere to social distancing guidelines and wearing facemasks is mandatory.

SOMALIA COVID-19 TRAVEL REQUIREMENTS

1. To mitigate the risk of Covid-19 infection transmission from the immigration movement; All international travellers entering the country must have a COVID-19 test certificate (PCR negative Certificate), which is issued within no more than 72 hours of travel. However, those who are fully immunized with Covid-19 vaccine and have a Vaccination Card with QR Code issued by an Authorized agency or institutions, are exempted from the PCR COVID19 Test certificate requirements..
2. People traveling abroad, in accordance with the COVID-19 travel restrictions of country of their destination, must have a Certificate of Covid-19 (Covid-19 PCR negative) Certificate or a Certificate of Complete Vaccination against COVID-19
3. International travellers departing Somalia are required to abide by the COVID-19 related travel and health requirements of the destination country.
4. All travelers must adhere to COVID-19 prevention and control measures and wear a facemask at all times—including at airport premises and inside the plane.
5. All international arrivals will be screened for signs and symptoms of COVID-19 and those found to have any of those signs will undergo rapid antigen testing at their own cost and, if test is positive, will be quarantined in a hotel at their own cost.

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