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[Regulation 26]

TRAVEL RESTRICTIONS ORDER

PURSUANT to the powers vested in me under Regulation 26, **I, Timothy John Ika, M.P.**, Acting Minister for National Emergency Services, do hereby issue this **ORDER** for the purpose of minimising the impacts of the Coronavirus (COVID-19) commencing from 22 December 2022:

(1) A traveller travelling to Nauru by an aircraft shall:

- (a) produce proof of being fully vaccinated against Coronavirus (COVID-19) to the Airline before commencing travel to Nauru unless a traveller is exempted from vaccination under Regulations 6 and 6A of the *National Disaster Risk Management (Coronavirus (COVID-19) (Vaccination)) Regulations 2021*;
- (b) produce proof of a negative Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) test within 24 hours to the Airline before commencing travel to Nauru;
- (c) wear a face mask at all times whilst at an airport and during the flight unless he or she is eating or drinking; and
- (d) be subject to a Rapid Antigen Test at the Nauru International Airport upon arrival.

(2) A traveller tested in accordance with paragraph (1)(d):

- (a) whose test produces a positive result, shall be immediately isolated in a Designated Residence for a minimum mandatory period of 10 consecutive days and shall remain in such isolation until cleared by the National Coronavirus Taskforce; or
- (b) whose test produces a negative result, is permitted to enter Nauru but shall restrict his or her movements and activities and remain at his or her place of residence until having undertaken a PCR test at the Naeroero Public Health Centre on the day following his or her arrival in Nauru, and if:

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- (i) the test produces a positive result, the traveller shall be isolated as required in accordance with paragraph (2)(a); or
 - (ii) the test produces a negative result, the traveller is free to enter the community subject to paragraph (3).
- (3) A traveller whose PCR test under paragraph (2)(b) produces a negative result shall undertake further COVID-19 testing on the third and fifth days following his or her arrival in Nauru, and if:
- (a) the test produces a positive result on either day, the traveller shall be isolated as required in accordance with paragraph (2)(a); or
 - (b) the test produces a negative result on either day, the traveller is free to enter the community.
- (4) A traveller who is permitted to enter the community under paragraphs (2)(b)(ii) and (3)(b) and subsequently develops any Coronavirus (COVID-19) symptoms within 10 days after arriving in Nauru, shall immediately undertake a Rapid Antigen Test, self-isolate and call the phone number 192 to report such symptoms.
- (5) Where a traveller travelling to Nauru by an aircraft is a COVID contact, he or she shall, in addition to the requirements under paragraph (1):
- (a) declare that he or she is a COVID contact by e-mailing the National Coronavirus Taskforce at taskforce@covid19-nauru.org;
 - (b) notwithstanding paragraph (1)(c), wear a N95 mask on the aircraft during the flight to Nauru unless he or she is eating or drinking;
 - (c) restrict his or her movement unless the movement is for an essential purpose;
 - (d) wear a face mask while he or she is out in public; and
 - (e) comply with direction 3 under the *National Disaster Risk Management (Coronavirus (COVID-19)) (Community Transmission) and (Public Health and Safety) Regulations 2020 – Directions for Public Health and Public Safety* in relation to the requirements for close contact of Coronavirus (COVID-19) infected person.
- (6) A traveller, who intends to travel out of Nauru with the intention to return to Nauru, shall not be permitted to travel by an aircraft, if he or she:
- (a) has not been fully vaccinated against Coronavirus (COVID-19);
 - (b) is infected with Coronavirus (COVID-19); or
 - (c) had tested positive for Coronavirus (COVID-19):
 - (i) within 10 days of intended travel out of Nauru;
 - (ii) continues to exhibit symptoms of Coronavirus (COVID-19); and
 - (iii) fails to produce a Certificate of Recovery from Coronavirus (COVID-19) from the Naoero Public Health Centre.

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(7) For the purposes of this Order:

'COVID contact' has the same meaning given to **'potentially infectious person'** under the *National Disaster Risk Management (Coronavirus (COVID-19)) (Community Transmission) and (Public Health Safety) Regulations 2020* and includes:

- (a) living in the same house with a person infected with Coronavirus (COVID-19);
- (b) having direct physical contact with a person infected with Coronavirus (COVID-19);
- (c) standing or sitting within 1-meter or less for 15 minutes, from a person infected with Coronavirus (COVID-19); or
- (d) not using personal protective equipment whilst exposed to a person infected with Coronavirus (COVID-19);

'fully vaccinated' means having received the primary course of an approved Coronavirus (COVID-19) vaccine; and

'traveller' means:

- (a) at the commencement of this Order, a person who is 12 years of age or older; and
- (b) on or after 1 January 2023, a person who is 5 years of age or older.

(8) The *National Disaster Risk Management (Management and Minimisation of the Impacts of Coronavirus (COVID-19) Regulations 2020 - Travel Restrictions Order 9/2022* published in the Gazette on 4 August 2022 and *National Disaster Risk Management (Management and Minimisation of the Impacts of Coronavirus (COVID-19) Regulations 2020 - Travel Restrictions Order 10/2022* signed on 19 December 2022 are revoked.

Dated this 21st day of December, 2022.

HON. TIMOTHY JOHN IKA, M.P
ACTING MINISTER FOR NATIONAL EMERGENCY SERVICES