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THE DISASTER RISK MANAGEMENT ACT

THE DISASTER RISK MANAGEMENT (ENFORCEMENT
MEASURES) (NO. 11) (AMENDMENT) (NO. 2) ORDER, 2021

WHEREAS the Minister responsible for disaster preparedness and emergency management has given written notice to the Prime Minister that Jamaica appears to be threatened with or affected by the SARS-CoV-2 (Coronavirus COVID-19), and that measures apart from or in addition to those specifically provided for in the Disaster Risk Management Act should be taken promptly:

AND WHEREAS on the 13th day of March, 2020, the Prime Minister by Order declared the whole of Jamaica to be a disaster area:

NOW THEREFORE:

In exercise of the powers conferred upon the Prime Minister by section 26(2) of the Disaster Risk Management Act, and every other power hereunto enabling, the following Order is hereby made:—

- 1.—(1) This Order may be cited as the Disaster Risk Management (Enforcement Measures) (No. 11) (Amendment) (No. 2) Order, 2021, and shall be read and construed as one with the

Disaster Risk Management (Enforcement Measures) (No. 11) Order, 2021 (hereinafter referred to as the principal Order) and all amendments thereto.

(2) This Order shall take effect on the 27th day of November, 2021.

2. The principal Order is amended by inserting next after paragraph 7 the following paragraph—

“Special restrictions regarding travel from a territory to which this paragraph applies.

7A. (1) During the period from November 27, 2021, to December 9, 2021, a person, being a citizen of Jamaica or ordinarily resident in Jamaica, who seeks to enter Jamaica and who has been in a territory to which this paragraph applies, at any time during the period of two weeks prior to the date on which entry into Jamaica is sought, shall—

- (a) for a period of not less than fourteen days after entry into Jamaica, remain in quarantine at a facility designated by the Government;
- (b) undergo a RT-PCR test for the SARS – CoV-2 (Coronavirus COVID-19)—
- (i) on the first day of the quarantine; and
- (ii) on the tenth day of the quarantine; and
- (c) comply with all applicable directions given, and requirements imposed, by an authorized officer, including the Government Facility Quarantine order in the form set out as Form E of the First Schedule.

Form E,
First
Schedule.

(2) Where both tests administered to a person under sub-paragraph (1)(b) are negative the person shall be allowed to leave the quarantine facility referred to in sub-paragraph (1)(a), at the end of the period of fourteen days commencing from the date of the person’s entry into Jamaica.

(3) Where any test administered to a person under sub-paragraph (1)(b) is positive, the person shall remain in quarantine, at a quarantine facility designated by the Government, until the person recovers from the SARS – CoV-2 (Coronavirus COVID-19).

(4) Notwithstanding anything in this paragraph, during the period from November 27, 2021, to December 9, 2021, no person shall be permitted to enter Jamaica—

- (a) who is not a citizen of Jamaica or ordinarily resident in Jamaica; and
- (b) who, within the period of fourteen days immediately before the date on which the person seeks to enter Jamaica, was in a territory to which this paragraph applies.

Form F,
First
Schedule.

(5) Sub-paragraph (4) shall not apply to any person, or category of persons, authorised to enter Jamaica, in writing in the form set out as Form F of the First Schedule, by the Minister responsible for immigration, with the prior approval of the Cabinet.

(6) A person who enters Jamaica under sub-paragraph (5) shall—

- (a) at the expense of that person, remain in quarantine for a period of fourteen days after entry into Jamaica, at a facility designated by the Government;
- (b) at the expense of that person, undergo a RT-PCR test for the SARS – CoV-2 (Coronavirus COVID-19)—
 - (i) on the first day of the quarantine; and
 - (ii) on the tenth day of the quarantine; and
- (c) comply with all applicable directions given and requirements imposed by an authorized officer, including the Government Facility Quarantine Order in the form set out as Form E of the First Schedule.

(7) Where both tests administered to a person under sub-paragraph (6)(b) are negative the person shall be allowed to leave the quarantine facility referred to in sub-paragraph (6)(a), at the end of the period of fourteen days commencing from the date of the person's entry into Jamaica.

(8) Where any test administered to a person under sub-paragraph (6)(b) is positive, the person shall remain in quarantine, at a quarantine facility designated by the Government, until the person recovers from the SARS – CoV-2 (Coronavirus COVID-19).

(9) The territories to which this paragraph applies are—

- (a) Botswana;
- (b) Eswatini (formerly Swaziland);
- (c) Lesotho;
- (d) Malawi;
- (e) Mozambique;
- (f) Namibia;
- (g) South Africa;
- (h) Zimbabwe.”.

3. The First Schedule of the principal Order is amended by inserting next after Form D the following forms—

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FORM E

THE DISASTER RISK MANAGEMENT (ENFORCEMENT
MEASURES) (NO. 11) ORDER 2021

PARAGRAPH 7A

GOVERNMENT FACILITY QUARANTINE ORDER

ARISK-BASED PROTOCOL HAS BEEN INTRODUCED REGARDING TESTING AND RESTRICTION ON MOVEMENTS FOR PREVENTION AND CONTROL OF COVID-19.

All persons arriving in Jamaica are required to undergo a health screening and risk assessment.

CONTROL MEASURES FOR PERSONS WITH POSSIBLE EXPOSURE TO SARS—
CoV-2.

You have, or might have, been exposed to the SARS—CoV-2, virus that causes COVID-19, through travel or contact. Infection by the SARS—CoV-2 virus is an acute respiratory infection that may present with mild, moderate, or severe illness and may be fatal. The symptoms of acute respiratory infection include fever, cough, sore throat and difficulty breathing, and in some cases, diarrhoea, vomiting, abdominal pain, chest pain. Symptoms may appear anywhere from two (2) to fourteen (14) days after exposure to the SARS—CoV-2. Persons may be able to transmit infection beginning one day before they develop symptoms to up to 7 days after they get sick. The SARS—CoV-2, virus is transmitted by spread most often by respiratory droplets from an infected person. If SARS—CoV-2, virus spreads in the community, it would have severe public health consequences.

In accordance with the DISASTER RISK MANAGEMENT (ENFORCEMENT MEASURES) (No. 11) ORDER, 2021, the Medical Officer (Health), Medical Officer or public health officer has determined that:

As a result of your possible exposure to the SARS-CoV2, virus in accordance with THE DISASTER RISK MANAGEMENT (ENFORCEMENT MEASURES) (No. 11) ORDER, 2021, the following public health control measures detailed below are being implemented. These measures include being monitored by a public health officer in a designated Government facility at least twice daily to monitor for signs and symptoms of COVID-19 until released from the facility. You will be required to do a COVID-19 Test. All persons who test positive OR become symptomatic are placed in isolation.

FORM E, *contd.***REQUIREMENTS**

You must **comply with these control measures** while in the designated Government facility.

During the quarantine period of _____ days, you are required to:

- Remain at (insert address) unless specifically authorized to leave by the Medical Officer (Health).
- Isolate yourself from others immediately if any symptoms develop and immediately advise the public health officer at the facility.
- Comply with the directions given or requirements imposed by the public health officer including the recording of your temperature and symptoms at least every 12 hours.
- Maintain a 6-feet (1m) distance from others

Notwithstanding the requirements detailed above, the Medical Officer (Health) may impose new or different requirements if the Medical Officer (Health) is of the opinion that circumstances have changed to necessitate the imposition of new or different requirements.

NEW/DIFFERENT REQUIREMENTS:

If you **fail to comply with these control measures, you commit an offence under Section 52 of the Disaster Risk Management Act** and shall be liable on summary conviction before a Judge of a Parish Court to a fine not exceeding one million dollars or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding twelve months.

The staff of this Health Department remains available to provide assistance and counselling to you concerning your possible exposure to SARS-CoV-2 and compliance with these control measures. Please refer to Health Alert Card (<https://jamcovid19.moh.gov.jm/HAC>) for accessing the public health system.

This Quarantine Order is Issued by the Chief Medical Officer of Ministry of Health and Wellness of Jamaica:

Name of the Chief Medical Officer Signature of the Chief Medical Officer Date: ___/___/___

[] I will comply with the Terms and Conditions of this Quarantine Order.

Name of the Traveler Signature Date: ___/___/___

FORM F

(Paragraph 7A)

THE DISASTER RISK MANAGEMENT ACT

 The Disaster Risk Management (Enforcement Measures)
 (No. 11) Order, 2021

To: All immigration officers and all authorized officers

This confirms that _____ of
(authorised entrant or category of entrants)

(in the case of authorised entrant, address in Jamaica where the person permanently resides or will stay)

is hereby authorised to enter Jamaica on the _____ day of _____, 20____,
 subject to the following conditions:

[state conditions, if any].

Dated this _____ day of _____, 20____.

 Minister of National Security

Stamp or Seal

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Dated this 27th day of November, 2021.

ANDREW HOLNESS
 Prime Minister.