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Dear Valued Member,

### **OPENING OF PORTS OF ENTRY FOR INTERNATIONAL MOVEMENT OF PERSONS AND GOODS**

Following the announcement by President Cyril Ramaphosa to move the country to lockdown level 1 of the Risk Adjusted Approach, the National Border Management Coordinating Committee issued a directive that travel into and out of South Africa for business, leisure and other purposes will be allowed from 1 October 2020. According to the directive, international travel will be subject to the following restrictions and protocols as stipulated in the Regulations:

#### **Travellers**

- Upon arrival, the traveller is required to present a valid certificate of a negative test results not older than 72 hours from time of departure.
- In the event of the traveller's failure to submit a certificate as proof of a negative test, the traveller will be required to remain in mandatory quarantine at their own cost for a period of 10 days.
- All travellers will be subjected to screening upon arrival and departure.
- All travellers detected with symptoms will be required to remain in quarantine until a repeat COVID-19 test is conducted at their own cost. The accommodation at a quarantine site will be at the traveller's cost.
- All travellers must complete a Traveller Health Questionnaire prior to, or upon arrival.
- All travellers should wear face masks at all times while within the Port of Entry.
- All travellers must comply with the sanitisation and social distancing measures.

#### **Truck drivers**

- Truck drivers are required to present their Covid-19 negative test results upon departure from, and arrival in, South Africa.
- With regard to truck drivers, crew-members and frequent travellers, the certificate for Covid-19 test results will remain valid for a period of 14 days after first movement.
- All truck drivers who tested positive should be managed in accordance with the Regulations and the Department of Health Guidelines.
- All other health control measures are also applicable to truck drivers.

#### **Closed Ports of Entry**

To allow ease of travel from the African countries, the 18 land borders are now fully operational, and due to insufficient capacity, the other 35 land borders will remain closed.

#### **Sea Ports of Entry**

To facilitate ease of transportation of goods to and from the Country, all commercial sea ports are opened from 1 October 2020. The crew members will also be medically screened for Covid-19 symptoms. Yachts and leisure crafts to ensure compliance to all health protocols and border processes.

### **Aviation**

International air travel is restricted to OR Tambo, King Shaka and Cape Town International Airports. All airlines are required to ensure that no passenger is allowed to board the flights without a valid Covid-19 test results.

### **Daily Scholars and Educators**

- Daily scholars and Educators attending learning institutions in the country and who are allowed entry into and exit from the Republic are also required to adhere to protocols relating to:
  - Screening for Covid-19
  - Wearing of masks
  - Transportation
  - Sanitisation and social distancing measures.

