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INFORMATION

CIVIL AVIATION HEALTH MEASURES IN VIEW OF COVID -19 PANDEMIC

1. OBJECTIVE

The present AIC publishes the sanitary restrictions and other preventive measures in force in the Civil Aviation sector, during the period of declaration of the Situation of Public Disaster and Activation of the Red Alert, in the Mozambican territory, with a view to concretize and operationalize urgent measures of exception, necessary, appropriate and proportionate to the situation to prevent the spread of the COVID-19 pandemic, safeguarding human life, public health and ensuring the proper functioning of services in the air transport sector, issued by Decree No. 79/2020 of September 4th which operationalizes Law n° 10/2020 of August 24th.

2. SCOPE AND APPLICABILITY

This AIC is issued within the scope of the Declaration of the Situation of Public Disaster and Activation of the Red Alert, to prevent and contain the spread of the pandemic of COVID-19, issued in articles 3, 4, 5, 9, 12, 13, 14, 19, 27, 31, of Decree n° 79/2020 of 04 September, approved under the provisions of paragraph a) of number 1 of article 33 of Law n° 10/2020 of 24 August, in conjunction with Decree n° 76/2020, of 1 September.

These measures apply to all domestic and foreign airlines with or without a license, certificate or authorization issued by IACM and the 3 International airports, namely Nacala,

Province of Nampula, Beira, Province of Sofala; and Maputo in Maputo City, in order to mitigate the propagation of COVID-19 pandemic in the national territory.

3. REFERENCES

Law No. 10/2020 of 24 August.

Decree nº 76/2020, of 01 September.

Decree nº 79/2020 of 04 September.

4. DESCRIPTION

Bearing in mind the need to adopt measures of prevention and mitigation associated with the fight against dissemination of COVID-19, IACM in term of line p) of no.1 of Article 9 of its Organic Structure, determines the following preventive measures.

4.1 Flight authorization

4.1.1 Authority is given to flights for the carriage of passengers and cargo to the following countries on reciprocal basis:

- a) Portugal,
- b) Turkey;
- c) Qatar,
- d) Ethiopia,
- e) Kenya; and
- f) South Africa

4.1.2 The frequency of flights of the above mentioned countries will be 2 per week.

4.1.3. Airlines of other countries may express interest in flying to Mozambique through diplomatic channels.

4.1.4. With the exception of aircraft in a state of emergency, the following flights shall obtain a pre-authorization from Civil Aviation Authority and Diplomatic authorities in accordance with Aeronautical Information Publication (AIP) Mozambique, part GEN 1.2:

- 1) Flights transporting passengers and cargo
- 2) Flights in the interest of the State
- 3) Technical landings
- 4) Humanitarian missions

- 5) Medical evacuations
- 6) Repatriation flights
- 7) United Nation flights

4.1.5 En route ATS is available and air operators may flight plan Maputo, Beira and Nacala as alternate aerodromes.

5. PREVENTIVE MEASURES TO FLIGHT CREWS AND INTERNATIONAL PASSENGERS ARRIVALS

5.1.1 All disembarking international passengers are subject to a 14 day quarantine to check for any COVID-19 infection.

5.1.2 All arriving passengers into Mozambique shall:

- a) present a PCR negative test done in his/her country of departure taken in the last 72 hours before departure..
- b) will be subjected to a 10 consecutive days home based quarantine.
- c) realize a new PCR test with negative results for SARS.
- d) submit to what is established in paragraph 5.1.1, passengers who could not support the cost of testing.

5.1.3. Passengers who present a positive test in the procedure described in paragraph c) above, must comply with the regime described in paragraph 5.1.1.

5.1.4 Patients with SARS-CoV-2 infection are subject to the following regimen:

- a) mandatory home isolation if they do not have medical criteria for hospitalization
- b) Institutional isolation or hospitalization in an appropriate health establishment for therapeutic purposes, if they have medical criteria for hospitalization defined by the competent authorities.
- c) the criteria for discharge from home isolation are defined by the Ministry that oversees the area of health.

5.1.5 Violations of the provisions of paragraphs b) of number 5.1.3 of this article gives rise to confinement at home or in an appropriate establishment, with preventive objectives.

5.1.6 Crew members will be subject to a strict mandatory quarantine under State supervision for the maximum period of 24 hours of their rotation/ crew rest.

5.1.7 Upon disembarkation, national and foreign crew members and passengers are

subject to observational screening for symptoms of COVID-19, including mandatory temperature measurement.

5.2 SANITARY MEASURES ON BOARD OF AIRCRAFT

- a) It is mandatory to wear face masks by the crew and passengers while on board aircraft.
- b) The measures of social distancing must be implemented as much as possible on board aircraft.
- c) Aircraft must be equipped with one or more universal precaution kits, which must be used to protect crew members while assisting potentially infectious cases of suspected COVID-19 and in the correct cleaning and disposal of any potentially infectious content.

5.3 AIRCRAFT DISINFECTION AND CARGO HANDLING

- a) Total disinfection of the aircraft is mandatory, using suitable substances for use in aviation, after each flight.
- b) It is mandatory to properly disinfect passengers and cargo before boarding or loading onto the aircraft.

Note 1: Substances must contain between 62% -71% alcohol ethanol, 0.5% hydrogen peroxide or 0.1% sodium hypochlorite and the adequacy of the substances must be checked against the aircraft manufacturers' documentation.

- c) The operator must ensure that the aircraft is thoroughly cleaned and disinfected no later than 24 hours after departure from an airport located in an affected area and with a high risk of transmission and infection by COVID-19.
- d) Foreign air operators can implement different disinfection frequencies based on a risk assessment that takes into account the operational circumstances and the curing of the disinfectant effect of the substance used, although they must also check the minimum specified in 5.2 a) and b) of this AIC.
- e) IACM will ensure the application of the measures issued by this AIC, supervising aircraft operators involved in the commercial air transport of passengers and cargo in accordance with national regulations, at all airports, especially flights from affected countries and with high risk transmission method for COVID-19.

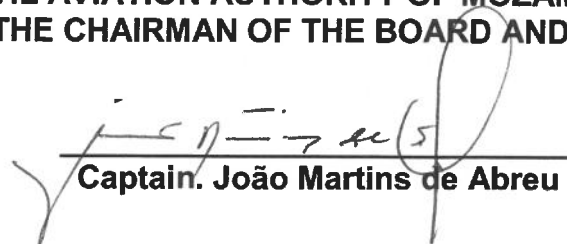
f) Air operators must notify the Civil Aviation Authority and Health Authority in writing of all suspected and / or confirmed cases on arrival or departure.

6. DATE OF ENTRY INTO FORCE

This AIC will come into effect on the date of its publication.

This circular substitutes AIC 03/20 of 17 June.

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