

INDEPENDENT STATE OF PAPUA NEW GUINEA NATIONAL PANDEMIC ACT 2020

OFFICE OF THE CONTROLLER NO.3 DOMESTIC TRAVEL MEASURES

- I, Commissioner David Manning, Controller, by virtue of the powers conferred by Section 9 of the *National Pandemic Act 2020* and all other enabling powers, hereby issue the following measures:
- 1. No roadblocks are to be established by any person, including authorised officers, except for those Directed by the Controller.
- 2. All domestic flights must comply with the following requirements:
 - a. hygiene and social distancing restriction as issued by the Controller; and
 - b. all passengers must complete an Air Passenger Travel Form;
 - c. a person must have a valid reason for travel as listed in Schedule 1, to travel within PNG.
- 3. Subject to paragraph 2, unless otherwise restricted by the Controller by written Direction, flights within PNG shall not be restricted.
- 4. Travel by foot, vehicle and vessel between Provinces, unless otherwise restricted by the Controller by written Direction, shall not be restricted.
- 5. A person or organisation that allows a person to board an aircraft in breach of paragraph 2 shall be deemed to have committed an offence under the *National Pandemic Act 2020*.
- 6. A person or organization that does not comply with the directions of an Authorised Officer in accordance with preceding paragraphs shall be deemed to have committed an offence under the National Pandemic Act 2020.
- 7. Any Authorised Officer(s) appointed by the Controller pursuant to the Act, shall carry out and enforce these Measures accordingly.



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- 8. These measures are in compliance with the COVID-19 measures issued by the International Civil Aviation Organisation
- 9. These Measures come into effect on 04 August 2020 and shall apply until the end of the Declaration of a Pandemic under the Act, or as varied or revoked by the Controller.

Date:

Signed:

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DAVID MANNING, MBE, DPS, OPM

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Schedule 1 - Valid Reason for Domestic Travel

- Students returning to their usual place of residence or returning to their educational institution (one way tickets to be issued);
- Persons returning to their usual residence (one way tickets will be issued);
- Essential services;
- Essential business travel;
- Seeking medical assistance and medivac; and
- Emergency transport, including but not limited to repatriation of deceased persons.