



## National Emergency Order No. 25

### **REVOCATION OF ORDER No. 22**

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### **INTERNATIONAL AND DOMESTIC TRAVEL**

I, Commissioner David Manning, Emergency Controller, by virtue of the *Emergency (General Provisions) (COVID 19) Act 2020 (Act)*, hereby revoke National Emergency Order No. 22 and issue the following emergency orders for immediate implementation:

#### **International Travel**

1. A port of entry stated in Schedule 1, being a port of entry into Papua New Guinea ('PNG') from another country is:
  - a. a First Port of Entry for aircrafts or vessels coming from another country into PNG as stated in Column Two for the duration of the National Emergency; and
  - b. a quarantine station for the performance of quarantine by any authorised person on any vessel, person, animal, plant or goods coming from another country into PNG;
  - c. designated as a Point of Entry for the purposes of Article 20(1) of the International Health Regulations (2005).
2. No vehicle, vessel or aircraft coming into PNG from another country, shall have entry at a Port of Entry in PNG which is not declared a First Port of Entry under paragraph 1 of this Order.
3. No person(s) shall cause a vehicle, vessel or aircraft to arrive at a port of entry in Papua New Guinea which is not a declared First Port of Entry under paragraph 1 of this Order.
4. No person, including PNG Citizens and Permanent Residents are allowed to enter PNG, except by aircraft, and unless authorised by the Emergency Controller.
5. Traditional border crossing arrangements are hereby suspended and there is a prohibition on travel of any persons travelling from the Republic of Indonesia, Australia, the Federated States of Micronesia, or the Solomon Islands into Papua New Guinea by these traditional border crossings.
6. No person is permitted to board an aircraft bound for PNG unless:



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- a. listed in Schedule 2 of this Order; or
  - b. provided an exemption in writing by the Emergency Controller or his delegate.
7. Persons who are coming from another country shall not enter PNG unless:
- a. working for an organisation listed in Schedule 2 of this Order; or
  - b. provided an exemption in writing by the Emergency Controller.
8. All PNG Citizens and Permanent Residents returning to PNG by aircraft must be quarantined at a:
- a. designated facility in Port Moresby listed in Schedule 3, at the Government's cost; or
  - b. designated hotel in Port Moresby listed in Schedule 4, at the individuals cost.
9. (1) All non-PNG Citizens and non-Permanent Residents returning to PNG by aircraft must be quarantined at a designated hotel in Port Moresby listed in Schedule 4, at the individual's cost.
- (2) Foreign diplomats travelling on a diplomatic travel document or diplomatic passport are exempted from the requirements in paragraph 9(1) but must self-isolate at an appropriate residence for 14 days.
- (3) For the purposes of sub-paragraph 2, failure to adhere to self-isolation for 14 days is not an offence under the *Emergency (General Provisions) (COVID 19) Regulation 2020*.
- (4) For the purposes of sub-paragraph 2, an individual who fails to adhere to self-isolation for 14 days shall be declared a persona non grata according to Article 9 of the *Vienna Convention on the Diplomatic Relations*.
- (5) The Emergency Controller may exempt a person from sub-paragraph 1, exempted persons shall self-isolate at a location directed by the Emergency Controller for 14 days.
- (6) For the purposes of sub-paragraph 5, an individual who fails to adhere to self-isolation for 14 days shall be deemed to have committed an offence under the *Emergency (General Provisions) (COVID 19) Regulation 2020* and shall be immediately deported at the cost of the person



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10. Upon arrival at the designate place in Schedules 3 and 4, a person must reside and remain in that place, self-quarantined and segregated from other persons, for the period beginning on the day of arrival and ending at midnight on the fourteenth day after arrival into PNG.
11. A couple or family shall be quarantined together should they enter PNG on the same flight.
12. Persons may leave a designated place prior to the time specified in paragraph 10:
  - a. for the purposes of obtaining emergency medical care;
  - b. for the purposes of seeking police assistance;
  - c. with authorisation of the Emergency Controller for seeking non-emergency medical care or medical supplies;
  - d. in an emergency situation; or
  - e. for any reason approved in advance by the Emergency Controller or his delegate.
13. A person arriving into PNG on any aircraft is taken not to arrive in PNG for the purpose of this Order if the person does not leave the plane or the immediate vicinity of the aircraft for the purposes of conducting pre-flight inspections and refuelling.
14. A person arriving into PNG on any vessel is taken not to arrive in PNG for the purpose of this Order if the person does not leave the vessel.
15. Non-compliance with this Order by a non-PNG Citizen or Non-PNG Permanent Citizens shall result in either:
  - a. immediate deportation, the cost of which shall be borne by that person; or
  - b. return to the vessel from which they disembarked.
16. Authorised Officers shall ensure appropriate levels of surveillance and border monitoring systems are in place throughout the country for international travel and in particular at the traditional border crossing areas.



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### **Domestic Travel Restrictions General**

17. No roadblocks are to be established by any person, including authorised officers, except for those Directed by the Controller.

### **Domestic Travel to Border Provinces**

18. No person(s) may travel from or to Western Province, Sandaun Province, and East Sepik Province, except persons:

- a. exempted under Schedule 5; or
- b. authorised in writing by the Emergency Controller; or
- c. in possession of a travel pass issued by the National Operations Centre.

19. No flights are allowed to or from restricted provinces except:

- a. with the written authorisation of the Emergency Controller or his delegate; or
- b. medivac flights.

20. No repatriation of deceased persons shall be permitted to or from the provinces listed in paragraph 18.

21. No person(s) may transport cargo not listed in Schedule 6 of this Order, to or from a restricted province, unless authorised by the Emergency Controller or his delegate.

### **Domestic Travel to Other Provinces**

22. (1) Flights to and from all airports, except those provinces listed in paragraph 18 are allowed.

(2) All air service providers and passengers must comply with the following requirements:

- a. Hygiene and social distancing requirements set out in Schedule 7;
- b. Passengers must have a valid reason for travel - valid reasons for travel are listed in Schedule 8;
- c. All passengers must complete an Air Passenger Travel Form;
- d. Weekly flight schedules shall be submitted to the Controller by each carrier by 1pm Saturday for the following week.



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- e. Charter flight plans shall be submitted to the Controller within 24 hours of the Charter flight occurring.
- f. Passenger manifests, all passenger Air Passenger Travel Approval Forms and any other reports as requested, shall be submitted to the Controller or his delegate within 24 hours of the relevant flight occurring.

(3) An air service provider shall take all reasonable and proper steps to have the passenger comply with the requirements of paragraph 22(a)(b) & (c) of this Order number 22,

(4) An air service provider that breaches paragraph 22(2)(a)&(b) shall be liable for a fine not exceeding K100,000.00.

(5) A person who fails to comply with the requirements under paragraph 22(2)(a)&(b) shall be liable to a fine of K10,000.00.

23. Travel by foot, vehicle, aircraft or vessel between provinces not listed in paragraph 18 shall not be restricted, unless otherwise ordered.

24. Non-compliance with this Order and/or the directions of an Authorised Officer in accordance with this Order shall be punishable in accordance with the Act.

25. Any Authorised Officer(s) appointed by the Emergency Controller pursuant to the Act, shall carry out and enforce the Emergency Orders accordingly.

26. This Order comes into effect on 25 April 2020.

**David Manning MBE, DPS, QPM**  
**Emergency Controller**





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**Schedule 1 Port of Entry**

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<b>Column 1</b>	<b>Column 2</b>
Jacksons Airport	Aircraft
Motukea Port, Port Moresby	Vessel
PNG Ports, Rabaul	Vessel
PNG Ports, Morobe	Vessel
PNG Ports, Madang	Vessel

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### **Schedule 2 – Approved Organisations and Persons to Enter PNG**

- PNG Government, State Services, Statutory Bodies, State-Owned Enterprises and National Judicial Staff and Employees.
- Military personnel;
- Police personnel;
- Diplomatic staff
- World Bank
- United Nations
- World Health Organisation
- Médecins Sans Frontières;
- International Committee of the Red Cross;
- International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies;
- Starwest Construction Limited
- Curtain Bros Papua New Guinea Limited
- Abt Associates
- Coffey
- Cardno
- Western Highlands Provincial Health Authority
- Air Niugini
- PNG Air
- Tropic Air
- McDermott Aviation
- Hevilift
- Helifix
- Heli Niugini
- Pacific Helicopters
- Philippines Airlines
- Qantas
- Virgin
- Pacific Air Express
- Oil Search Limited;
- Newcrest Mining Limited;
- Ok Tedi Mining Limited;
- Ramu Nico (MCC) Management Limited;
- Crate Gold Mining Limited;
- Kingston Resources;
- Global Drilling;
- St Barbara Simberi;
- Geopacific Resources Limited;
- Harmony Gold Mining Company Limited;
- K-92 Mining;
- Gobe drilling;
- Barrick (Niugini) Limited;
- Puma Energy PNG LTD;
- ExxonMobil PNG Limited;
- Total E&P PNG Limited
- PanAust Limited
- Telecommunication service providers or persons assisting in the delivery of telecommunications services;



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**Schedule 3 – Government Designated Facility**





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### **Schedule 4 – Designated Hotel**

- Holiday Inn
- Ela Beach Hotel
- Sanctuary Hotel
- Laguna Hotel
- Dixies Bungalows
- Granville Motel
- Hilton Hotel
- Grand Papua Hotel
- Stanley Hotel



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### **Schedule 5 – Approved Persons and Organisations to Travel to Border Provinces**

- Members of Parliament, their staff and advisers
- Flight crews, cargo vehicle crews, vessel crews, flight engineers and technical crews
- Licensed Security Companies – restricted to personnel providing security services
- Telecommunication service providers or persons assisting in the delivery of telecommunications services;
- Military personnel;
- Police personnel;
- Essential Public Servants;
- Persons working on the COVID-19 response;
- Health workers or persons assisting in the delivery of health services;
- Emergency Personal and Support Staff, including but not limited to:
  - St John Ambulance
  - Médecins Sans Frontières;
  - International Committee of the Red Cross;
  - International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies;
- Papua New Guinea Red Cross Society;
- United Nations Personnel
- World Health Organisation Personnel
- PNG Power;
- Eda Ranu;
- PNG Ports;
- Nuigini Pilots;
- Puma Energy PNG LTD
- Rotarians Against Malaria
- Marie Stopes
- Susu Mama
- Burnet Institute
- Rapid Response Limited
- Abt Associates
- Coffey
- MINPAC Construction ;
- LCS Electrical & Mechanical Engineering;
- TE-PNG;
- PAWA Architects;
- IPI Catering
- ExxonMobil PNG Limited;
- Total E&P PNG Limited



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### **Schedule 6 – Approved Goods to Border Provinces**

- All food items;
- Medical supplies, consumables and equipment;
- Personal protection equipment;
- Emergency response and rescue equipment;
- Hydrocarbons including but not limited to oil, fuel and grease;
- Mechanical spare parts;
- Sanitary and hygiene products (including but not limited to soap, toilet paper and women's hygiene products)
- Machinery;
- Tyres;
- Industrial gases;
- Reagents;
- Communications equipment;
- Water and sanitation equipment and related products;
- Education materials;
- Printed Government, and United Nations communications materials;
- Print media, including but not limited to newspapers;
- Deceased persons and coffins;
- Mine export products, including but not limited to unrefined and refined copper, gold, silver, concentrates, chromite, nickel and cobalt concentrate;
- Cash in Transit; and
- All RPNGC and PNGDF equipment and supplies, including but not limited to firearms, ammunition and explosives.
- Flocculant.
- MHP Products.
- Raw Materials including but not limited to; lime, liquid caustic soda, sulfur.
- Explosive Products for mining purposes including but not limited to; ammonia nitrate, detonator, booster, and accessories.
- Grinding balls.
- Electrical spares parts.
- Hydraulic and pneumatic spare parts.
- Dangerous Goods for mining purpose including but not limited to; Cyanide, sulfuric acid, nitric acid.
- Geotechnical ground support structures and accessories.
- Conveyor rubber belts and accessories.



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### **Schedule 7 – Social Distancing and Hygiene Requirements for Domestic Flights**

- Appropriate social distancing of at least 1 meter shall be enforced prior to boarding within airport terminals.
- Prior to boarding a flight all passengers must have their temperature checked.
- On exist of an aircraft all passengers must have their temperature checked.
- Any person with a temperature reading of 37.4 degrees centigrade or higher shall be held and 2 further tests shall be carried out after 5 minutes, if a person's temperature continues to read over 37.4 degrees centigrade, that person shall be held until an authorised officer is in attendance.
- In the event that no authorised officer is able to attend, the air service provider must record and report at the earliest convenience the person's name, contact details and address to the Emergency Controller.
- Temperature ranges are recorded.
- All persons travelling shall be issued by the airline a face mask.
- Passengers must at all times wear a mask whilst on a flight, this must not be removed until a person has existed the airport.
- No inflight refreshments shall be served.
- Hand sanitiser is to be available to all passengers prior to boarding, during flight, and on exist from the airplane.



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### **Schedule 8 – Valid Reasons for 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 place of 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.

