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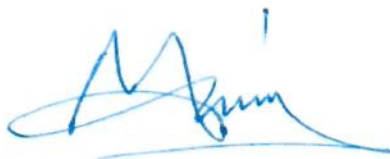
**NEW MEASURES TAKEN BY THE PRESIDENTIAL
TASKFORCE ON COVID 19**

I have the honour to inform you that following the escalation of COVID 19 cases in some countries and the threat of importation of new variants of the virus from other Regions and Countries of the world where a new wave of the pandemic is currently spreading with severe morbidity and mortality impact, the Presidential Task Force on COVID-19 has resolved to ban with immediate effect, all but essential arrivals and travel, such as Diplomatic and Medical Travel, of Nationals or Non-Nationals from three South Eastern Asian Countries, namely, Bangladesh, India and Pakistan, that have resided in these countries for at least the previous seven days. The same restrictions have also been extended to Brazil.

Those undertaking essential travel to and from these countries shall be required to undergo mandatory a 14-days' mandatory quarantine in hotels and lodges identified within Lilongwe City at their own cost. Under the escort of the Malawi Police Service, the Director of Health and Social Services of Lilongwe District Council will provide shuttle services from the Airport to the quarantine facilities.

These travellers shall also be required to be in possession of a negative PCR-based COVID-19 test result or certificate for a test conducted no more than 72 hours before arrival in Malawi.

This is submitted for your information.



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