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THE INFECTIOUS DISEASES LAW, CAP. 260

Decree pursuant to section 6(a), (b), (c), (d), (e) and (f)

The Minister of Health, in exercising the powers under section 6(a), (b), (c), (d), (e) and (f) of the Infectious Diseases Law, Cap. 260, conferred on him by Decision of the Council of Ministers dated 10 March 2020, hereby issues the following Decree.

1. This Decree shall be referred to as the Infectious Diseases (Determination of Measures Against the Spread of Covid-19 Coronavirus) Decree (No.26) of 2020.

2. Whereas the protection of public health and the health care system are the responsibility of the Republic with the aim of containing the spread of the COVID-19 Coronavirus disease, the protection of public health as well as the prevention of the possible collapse of the health system by any dissemination of the virus, taking into consideration the needs in human resources and logistical services that may be necessary to combat the rapid spread of the disease, and whereas the adoption of additional measures beyond the Regulations that have been issued by the Infectious Diseases (Determination of Measures to Prevent the Spread of COVID-19 Coronavirus) Decrees (No.1) to (No. 25) of 2020, has become imperative, and without prejudice to those of the Regulations which continue in force, and

Whereas, by Notice published in the Official Gazette of the Republic on the authorization of the Council of Ministers, the Minister of Health has declared the local districts of Nicosia, Limassol, Larnaka, Ammochostos and Paphos as being infected by the COVID-19 Coronavirus, pursuant to article 4 of the Infectious Diseases Law, Cap. 260, the following Regulations are issued, which are valid until midnight, 8th June 2020, unless otherwise stated in the Regulations below:

2.1 Regulation 2(5) of the Infectious Diseases (Determination of Measures to Prevent the Spread of COVID-19 Coronavirus) Decree (No.25), of 2020, is hereby deleted and replaced by the following new Regulation 2.5:

“2.5 The arrival is allowed in the Republic of person regardless of nationality, for purposes of implementing public projects or for other professional obligations, upon approval by the competent Minister/Undersecretary to the President for the time being, to whom a relevant request shall be submitted and who shall be obliged to verify the necessity of the arrival of the said persons in the Republic and inform accordingly the Minister of Transport, Communications and Works, under the following conditions:

- (a) If the stay period in the Republic does not exceed 4 days:
 - (i) the said persons are given a molecular test for the COVID-19 disease, unless they furnish a negative molecular examination certificate for the said disease of prior 72 hour validity.
 - (ii) until the result of the examination is issued, such persons shall remain in places of compulsory isolation (quarantine).
 - (iii) if the persons are positively diagnosed for the COVID-19 disease, they shall remain in a state of compulsory isolation (quarantine) under the medical protocol of the Ministry of Health.
 - (iv) the said persons shall adopt protection and self-protection measures at the place of their stay.

- (b) If the stay in the Republic exceeds 4 days:
 - (i) The said persons are given a molecular test for the COVID-19 disease, unless they furnish a negative molecular examination certificate for the said disease of prior 72 hour validity.
 - (ii) until the result of the examination is issued, such persons shall remain in places of compulsory isolation (quarantine).
 - (iii) if the persons are positively diagnosed for the COVID-19 disease, they shall remain in a state of compulsory isolation (quarantine) under the medical protocol of the Ministry of Health.
 - (iv) If the result of the molecular examination is negative, such persons shall remain in a state of self-isolation for a period of time, which ends in accordance with the provisions of Regulation 2.2(ii), 2.2(iii) and 2.2(iv) of the Infectious Diseases (Determination of Measures against the Spread of the COVID-19 Coronavirus) Decree (No. 25) of 2020.”

2.2 Coastal passenger vessels will be allowed to resume their activities, including small passenger boats, amateur fishing and diver transport boats, provided the safety and health guidelines issued by the Shipping Deputy Ministry are observed.

2.3 Sea sport enterprises (category B speed-boats) will be allowed to resume their activities, provided the safety and health guidelines issued by the Shipping Deputy Ministry are observed under the following conditions:

- (i) For Category B speed-boats boarding will be allowed of up to 10 persons, including minors, or up to the maximum number of passengers if smaller, according to the registration licence;
- (ii) For category B Jet skis, rental for use shall be allowed for one up to two persons. Driving by an employee of the company with the customer as passenger is not allowed.

2.4 The operation of pleasure boats for private use is allowed under the following terms.

- (i) Passengers on boats with a speed-boat registration of category A shall not exceed 10 persons or the number permitted by the registration licence if smaller, including minors.
- (ii) On pleasure boats not required by law to carry a registration licence and which satisfy the Basic Requirements (Pleasure boats and individual vessels) Regulations 2017 (CE marking), the passengers may not exceed 10 or the number specified by the manufacturer if smaller, including minors.
- (iii) The maximum number of passengers on Jet skis shall not exceed the number allowed by the registration licence.

2.5 Regulation 2.19 of the Infectious Diseases (Determination of Measures against the Spread of the COVID-19 Coronavirus) Decree (No.24) of 2020, is hereby deleted and abolished.

2.6 The resumption of horse racing is allowed as of 06:00hrs of 3rd June 2020, without spectators.

2.7 Regulation 2(f) of the Infectious Diseases (Determination of Measures against the Spread of the COVID-19 Coronavirus) Decree (No.12) of 2020, is hereby deleted and abolished.

3. This Decree shall enter into force immediately upon its publication in the Official Gazette of the Republic.

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