

# **Communication from The Presidency**

No. Forty-Five (45)

# The High-Level Taskforce on COVID-19 Pandemic

# Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2020

## Juba, South Sudan

The High-Level Taskforce on COVID-19 Pandemic held its 41<sup>st</sup> Meeting on the afternoon of Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2020 under the Chairmanship of H. E. Dr Riek Machar Teny-Dhurgon, the First Vice President and Deputy Chairman of the High-Level Taskforce on COVID-19 Pandemic.

The High-Level Taskforce was briefed on the Coronavirus (COVID-19) Situation in South Sudan, the Region and the Globe by the Honourable Minister for Health.

The Honourable Minister informed the Taskforce that, the Public Health Laboratory, on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2020 released Two Hundred and Five test results. Of these

one (1) case was confirmed positive while two hundred and four (204) tests returned negative. The confirmed case is a 41-year-old South Sudanese living in Juba. He was first seen in a private clinic where he was managed as an outpatient for his flu-like illness. He reported to the John Garang Infectious Disease Centre where samples were taken for testing. He is taking treatment in the Centre and is now in stable condition. South Sudan now has Forty-six (46) confirmed cases.

The High-Level Taskforce affirms that asymptomatic confirmed cases or cases with mild symptoms with no known underlying medical condition may be treated on a home-based model. The Taskforce directs the relevant government institutions to support home quarantines in order to create hospitable environment for the patients.

The High-Level Taskforce welcomes and commends the Board of Directors of the Bank of South Sudan to the tune of SSP20,000,000 (Only Twenty Million South Sudan Pounds) in support of the Government's efforts of fighting the COVID-19 Pandemic. The Taskforce directs that this fund be directed at supporting the enforcement of directives of the High-Level Taskforce on prevention of transmission and spread of the COVID-19 infection.

The High-Level Taskforce welcomes the pledge by the United Nnations' Development Programme to procure 17 Ventilators, two of which shall be mounted on two ambulances to support governments in curbing the COVID-19 Pandemic.

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The High-Level Taskforce commends the African Union for providing a financial facility to the tune of USD61,000,000 (Only Sixty-One Million United States Dollars) to support member states, including South Sudan in their fight against the COVID-19 Pandemic.

The High-Level Taskforce on Coronavirus (COVID-19) Pandemic remains seized of the situation.

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Coronavirus (COVID 19)



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### Addendum

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Requests for Special Permission to leave, entre, or travel within South Sudan,

- 1 Grant Special permission for repatriation of 140 IDPs from Juba to Karpeto of Lobonok. They must be tested for COVID-19 prior departure.
- 2 Grant special permission for CityLink Aviation
  Company for two week to airlift ADRA COVID-19
  items to 10 locations.
- 3 Grant Special Permission to Mrs. Emaan Abdullah Kapalo from Khartoum to Juba. She must be quarantined for 14 days on arrival.
- 4 Grant permission for landing permit PAX aircraft AN26B Tech refuelling and take-of sources



- JUHDS Juba Airport Handling Services Ltd on the date 4 May 2020.
- 5 Grant permission for Light Air Services for flight to Leer taking a coffin accompanied by 9 passengers using Caravan 5H-MIK on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2020. The passengers must be tested for COVID-19.
- 6 **Grant** permission for Mrs. Nyamoka Adom Wang to travel from to Juba.
- 7 **Grant** permission to family of Rt. Hon. Arthur Akuein Chol namely 1. Akuien Dut Chol 2. Tito Deng Majok 3. Achol Deng Majok 4. Abuk Chol Mawien 5. Garang Chol Mawien. They must be tested for COVID-19.

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The First Vice President

Deputy Chairman of the High-Level Taskforce

on Coronavirus (COVID-19).