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The Vice President

**Remarks of H.E. the Vice President and Chairman
National Taskforce on Coronavirus (COVID-19) Pandemic on
the formal inauguration of the Med-Blue Laboratory for
COVID-19 Test, 3rd December, 2020.**

Hon. Ministers here present,
Members of the Taskforce
Distinguish Guests
Ladies and Gentlemen

I am honored today to formally inaugurate Med-Blue as a private Laboratory for COVID-19 Test. This is yet another milestone in the fight against COVID-19 Pandemic in our country.

Med-Blue is the only accredited private Laboratory at the moment for testing travelers. They are mandated by the government to test both International and National Travelers.

This practice of private-partnership is not the first of a kind. Globally, accredited private Laboratories have taken over



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testing of COVID-19 for travelers that is why South Sudan took its yardstick from.

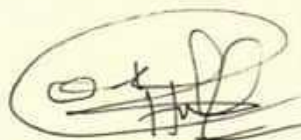
The practice will equally and most importantly ease the pressure from the public health Laboratory which have been stretched up since the outbreak of the pandemic. It will also provide the government with data for further analysis and research purposes and finally it will reduce forgery of test results.

Therefore, no any other private Laboratory will carry out the COVID-19 test for travelers except Med-blue. I am warning all those practicing illegally to cease. I am equally warning Med-Blue to act professionally in their endeavors.

Finally, all the concerned authorities should consider COVID-19 test results from Med-Blue as the only authentic results and no any other shall be accepted.

In view of the above, I the Vice President and Chairman National Taskforce take this opportunity to officially open Med-Blue Laboratory and wish them all the best.

Thank you all.



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