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The Vice President

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**From: H.E. Hussein Abelbagi Akol, The Chairman
National Taskforce on COVID-19 Pandemic**

To: All the State Governors and Chief Administrators

The National Taskforce on COVID-19 Pandemic noted with concern the continuous upsurge of new infections across the country despite the partial lockdown which was announced on the 3rd February, 2021. We have also witnessed slight changes especially on wearing facemasks however; social distancing and other preventive measures remained a challenge.

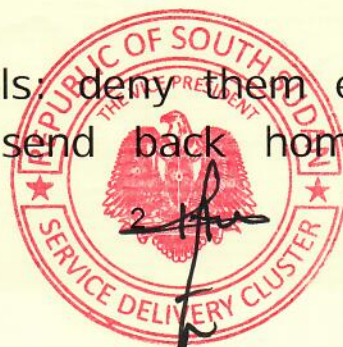
In view of that, all the State Governors and Chief Administrators are hereby **directed** to strengthen public safety and compliance in their respective states and administrative areas through the following:

1. To establish or strengthen State Taskforce on Coronavirus (COVID-19) Pandemic;
2. To enforce the implementation of the COVID-19 preventive measures and the Partial Lockdown per the directives of the National Taskforce;



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3. To mobilize and instruct uniformed forces to strictly follow COVID-19 preventive measures and take immediate actions to impose wearing of face masks and observance of physical distancing to/at/from places of work, and ban all social gatherings and events;
4. To instruct all the town Mayors to enforce wearing of facemasks in airports, bus stations, private and public transport (including bodabodas and rakshas), markets, shops, companies, hotels, restaurants, and tea places; and
5. To direct the State Taskforce, Town Mayors and Uniformed Forces to apply punitive measures on those who violate these measures per the following categories:
 - a. For government institutions: summon the accounting officers for questioning or suspension for negligence.
 - b. For NGOs: summon representative for questioning or suspension of operation license for a specific period of time.
 - c. For businesses: targeted closure of business or suspension of operation license for a specific period of time; and
 - d. For individuals: deny them entry or access to services or send back home if not wearing



facemasks.

The National Taskforce COVID-19 Audit Committee will visit your respective states and Administrative Areas to assess public safety and compliance.

With these, I urge all the State Governors and Chief Administrators to accord due cooperation to this Committee without further ado.

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



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COVID-19 Pandemic.

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