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**DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORT**

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**DISASTER MANAGEMENT ACT, 2002****AMENDMENT OF THE DIRECTIONS ISSUED IN TERMS OF REGULATION 10(7) OF THE REGULATIONS MADE IN UNDER SECTION 27(2) OF THE DISASTER MANAGEMENT ACT, 2002 (ACT NO. 57 OF 2002): MEASURES TO PREVENT AND COMBAT THE SPREAD OF COVID-19 IN THE AIR SERVICES**

I, **Fikile Mbalula**, MP, Minister of Transport, hereby in terms of regulation 10(7) (b) of the Regulations issued in terms of the Disaster Management Act, 2002 (Act No. 57 of 2002) amends Government Notice No. 412 published in Government Gazette No. 43157 of 26 March 2020 by the substitution of Directions 5 as follows:

**5 International, Domestic passenger flight, Evacuation, Repatriation and Technical flights****Prohibition of International and Domestic Flights**

- (1) All international and domestic passenger flights are prohibited irrespective of the risk category of the country of origin except those flights especially authorised by the Minister of Transport for the evacuation of South African Nationals in foreign countries.

**Repatriation**

(2) (a) Repatriation of foreign national from South Africa back to their respective countries is allowed provided the following conditions are adhered to:

- (i) Foreign Countries must charter their aircraft to South Africa without passengers except with the crew.
- (ii) The crew is not be allowed to disembark.

**Evacuation**

(3) (a) Evacuation of South African citizens who desires to come back home is allowed provided:

- (i) He or she has a fully paid return flight ticket;

(ii) On arrival they will be subjected to mandatory quarantine for a period of up to 21 days; and

(iii) The crew shall be allowed to disembark subject to mandatory quarantine laws as may be applicable.

(4) (a) The following technical flights are allowed:

(i) Medical evacuation flights;

(ii) Aircraft in a state of emergency;

(iii) Overflights;

(iv) Technical landings for refuelling ;

(v) Aircraft operations related to humanitarian aid, relief flights and other safety related operations.

(b) Medical evacuation flights should not carry passengers except, patients and crew that will upon landing shall be subjected to mandatory quarantine laws as may be applicable.

(c) Technical landing flights are allowed on condition that no passenger may disembark.

(5) The following Airports should have standby operational staff who will receive aircraft that are in distress.

(i) Port Elizabeth;

(ii) Bram Fischer;


(iii) Upington;

(iv) Polokwane;

(v) Kruger Mpumalanga.

(6) Disembarkation of Flight Cargo Crew is permitted on condition that it will be subjected Quarantine laws applicable in South Africa.

This amendment Notice shall come into effect on the date of publication in the *Government Gazette*.



**MR F.A. MBALULA, MP**

**MINISTER OF TRANSPORT**

**DATE:** 30/03/2020.