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THE FIRST VICE PRESIDENT

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The High-Level Taskforce on COVID-19 Pandemic

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Juba, South Sudan

The High-Level Taskforce on COVID-19 Pandemic held its 38th Meeting on the afternoon of Tuesday 28th April 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 on Tuesday 28th April 2020, that the Public Health Laboratory released 139 results. Of these, twenty-eight (28) cases were confirmed positive while ten (10), including 2 truck drivers at Nimule Border Crossing were

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equivocal and need a retest. All Twenty-Eight (28) confirmed cases and Eight (8) cases with inconclusive test results are contacts of the fifth case who was member of Tonj Community Peace Mission. All of them are isolated in same quarantine site. **South Sudan now has Thirty-Four (34) confirmed cases.**

After careful review of measures imposed vide earlier Communications from the Presidency, the **High-Level Taskforce** orders the following:

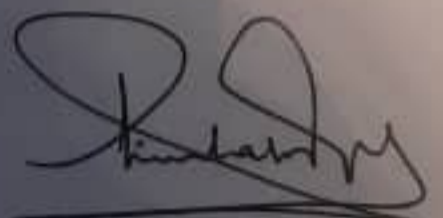
- 1- Curfew shall be imposed from 7:00 PM to 6:00 AM effective as of Wednesday 29th April 2020 until further notice.
- 2- All tea and shisha stalls must be closed with immediate effect.
- 3- Ban all passenger Bodabodas. Bodaboda shall be limited to cargo service only. The police are instructed to impound any Bodaboda transporting passengers.
- 4- Only one passenger shall be allowed on a Raksha at all times.
- 5- Noaha Taxis, Matatos and buses shall operate at half capacity only.
- 6- Closure of all bars. Restaurants must only provide a takeaway service. Violators will be prosecuted.

The High-Level Taskforce orders quarantine, for at least 14 days of all contacts of the fifth case and all members of the Tonj Community Peace Initiative. Noncompliance with these directives will attract punitive action including forceful quarantine.

The High-Level Taskforce orders quarantine, for at least 14 days, of all contacts of the sixth case and all 101 mourners who travelled to Abeyi last week. Noncompliance with these directives will attract punitive action including forceful quarantine.

The High-Level Taskforce recommends to the President issuance of a Provisional Order enacting Public Health Act specific to infectious diseases such as Coronavirus Disease and Ebola Virus Disease.

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


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Coronavirus (COVID 19)