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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 45th Meeting on the afternoon of Wednesday 6th 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 Wednesday 6th May 2020 released One hundred and Eighty eight test results. Of these, sixteen (16) case were confirmed positive while thirty-five (35) are to be rerun and one hundred and thirty-seven (137) tests returned negative. The confirmed

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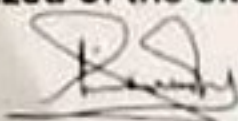
cases are South Sudanese citizens who have been granted approval to travel to States from Juba and some from contacts of previous 58 cases. The Ministry had discharged on 3rd May 2020 two cases after having two negative consecutive test a week apart and following Seventy-Two (72) cases. **South Sudan now has Seventy four (74) confirmed cases and no Death.**

The High-Level Taskforce noted the exponential rise of cases is due to non-compliance of people to the social distancing measures.

The High-Level Taskforce therefore recommends to the President to issue a Provisional Order on COVID-16 and any other infectious diseases such as Ebola to effect enforcement of the Taskforce directives.

The High-Level Taskforce resolves that life-saving Medical Evacuations (MEDEVAC) to Juba arising in the states or counties are to be authorized, on the spot without delay, by the relevant state or county authority.

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



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