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The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh presents its compliments to all Diplomatic Missions and Offices of the UN Agencies and International Organizations in Dhaka and has the honour to inform that, in view of the latest coronavirus related developments in Bangladesh, and in suppression of all previous advisories, the Government of Bangladesh has taken the following decisions:

- a. With effect from 0000 hrs of 22nd March 2020 until 31st March 2020, all commercial passenger flights from Bahrain, India, Kuwait, Malaysia, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Singapore, Turkey and UAE shall not be allowed to land at any international airport in Bangladesh.
- b. Commercial passenger flights to and from China, Hong Kong, Thailand and UK will continue to operate until further notice. Persons who need to depart from Bangladesh may like to use one of these routes.
- c. Special flights will be allowed to take foreign nationals from Bangladesh on a case-by-case basis.
- d. All on-arrival visas of Bangladesh will remain suspended till 15th April 2020 for incoming passengers of all countries.
- e. Any traveller who lived in or visited EU Region and Iran since 1st March 2020, will not be allowed to enter Bangladesh until 15th April 2020. The nationals of the countries of the EU Region and Iran who are living outside the EU Region and Iran since 29th February 2020 can travel to Bangladesh with valid visas.
- f. Foreign nationals having valid visas, or applying for new visas, will be required to produce a medical certificate (with English translation) to be obtained within 72 hours of travel, indicating that he/she does not have any symptoms of COVID-19. The individual needs to submit this certificate on arrival at the entry point (airport/seaport/land port) in Bangladesh.

g. Diplomatic, Official and Laissez Passer holders posted in diplomatic missions in Bangladesh and their family members (if holding ordinary passport) with valid visas will be exempted from the restrictions mentioned in paragraphs (e) and (f) above. The diplomatic missions are advised to kindly ensure self-quarantine if their diplomats/employees traveling to Bangladesh from any COVID-19 affected country.

h. Those who will henceforth be arriving in Bangladesh from any coronavirus affected countries are advised to remain under quarantine for two weeks after their arrival. Health officials at the entry points would decide whether they would be self-quarantined or in government run facilities. Those under self-quarantine would be monitored by law enforcement agencies for strict compliance. This will continue until further notice.

i. Foreign nationals with valid visas staying in Bangladesh now will have the option of extension of their existing visas by 2 (two) months.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh, avails itself of this opportunity to renew to all Diplomatic Missions and Offices of the UN Agencies and International Organizations in Dhaka, the assurances of its highest consideration.

Dhaka, 21st March 2020

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