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MEMORANDUM

FROM:

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TO:

Technical Committee - Reopening of Borders

Working Group - Reopening of Borders

DATE:

December 10, 2021

REVISED PROTOCOLS FOR YACHTS TRAVELLING INTO DOMINICA **SUBJECT:**

Please be advised that Cabinet has advised approval of the following revised protocols for yachts traveling to Dominica, effective as at December 13. 2021:

PROTOCOLS FOR YACHTS TRAVELLING INTO DOMINICA

1. PROTOCOLS FOR VACCINATED TRAVELLER WITH NEGATIVE PCR

i. Protocols for Pre-Arrival

Compulsory requirements for all arriving passengers/travellers

All travellers shall:

- a. Submit a health questionnaire online at least 24 hours prior to arrival in Dominica (website)at http://domcovid19.dominica.gov.dm/
- b. Upload a negative PCR test result from swab taken within 24-72 hours prior to arrival.
- c. Upload vaccination certificate
- d. Pay for Antigen test online (XCD\$100)

ii. Disembarkation:

Travellers shall:

- a. sanitize their hands at sanitization stations as directed.
- b. undergo a health assessment to include a temperature check.
- c. present the following:
 - (i) Notification of health clearance to travel to Dominica
 - (ii) Negative PCR test results
 - (iii) Vaccination certificate
 - (iv) Receipt from payment for Antigen Test

iii. Testing:

- A Rapid Antigen Test will be administered to all fully vaccinated travellers on arrival
 - a. If Antigen Test is positive, and traveller is symptomatic, the traveller will admitted to the Covid Care Complex (CCC).
 - b.If Antigen Test is positive, and traveller is asymptomatic, an authorized health care provider shall place a red band on the wrist of the traveller and the traveller must be isolated on their vessel or at a certified Safe in Nature property for a minimum period of 10 days at the traveller's expense.
 - c. If Antigen Test is negative, traveller will be deemed medically cleared at the discretion of medical officials.
- Travellers shall proceed to Immigration for processing and to Customs for screening.
- There shall be no mandatory quarantine for fully vaccinated travellers who have been medically cleared.
- Travellers who are positive and asymptomatic shall utilize certified transportation to isolation.
- Travellers who are positive and asymptomatic shall self-monitor, record temperature daily, and report any symptoms to health professionals.
- Travellers who are positive and asymptomatic and are utilizing paid accommodation shall only book at Safe in Nature certified properties.

2. PROTOCOLS FOR VACCINATED TRAVELLER WITHOUT NEGATIVE PCR

i. Protocols for Pre-Arrival

Compulsory requirements for all arriving passengers/travellers

All travellers shall:

- Submit a health questionnaire online at least 24 hours prior to arrival in Dominica (website)at http://domcovid19.dominica.gov.dm/
- b. Upload vaccination certificate
- c. Pay for Antigen test online (XCD\$100)

ii. Disembarkation:

Travellers shall:

- a. sanitize their hands at sanitization stations as directed.
- b. undergo a health assessment to include a temperature check.
- c. present the following:
 - (i) Notification of health clearance to travel to Dominica
 - (ii) Vaccination certificate
 - (iii) Receipt from payment for Antigen Test

iii. Testing

- A Rapid Antigen will be administered on arrival.
 - (i) If the result of the Rapid Antigen Test is positive, and the traveller is symptomatic, the traveller will be admitted to Covid Care Complex (CCC) until released by an authorized Health Professional. Hospital fees will apply.
 - (ii) If the result of the Rapid Antigen Test is positive, and the traveller is asymptomatic, an authorized health care provider shall place a red band on the wrist of the traveller and the traveller must be isolated at on their vessel or at a certified Safe in Nature property for a minimum period of 10 days at the traveller's expense.
 - (iii) If the result of the Antigen test is negative, traveller will quarantine on their vessel or be transported to mandatory

quarantine at a Safe in Nature-certified private property and an Antigen test will be repeated on day 3.

- a. If test is negative the traveller will be medically cleared at the discretion of medical officials.
- b. If test result is positive, the traveller will be isolated according to (i) or (ii) above.
- Travellers shall proceed to Immigration for processing and to Customs for screening.
- c. Travellers who are positive and asymptomatic shall utilize certified transportation to isolation.
- d. Travellers who are positive and asymptomatic shall self-monitor, record temperature daily, and report any symptoms to health professionals.
- e. Travellers who are positive and asymptomatic and are utilizing paid accommodation shall only book at Safe in Nature certified properties.

3. PROTOCLS FOR UNVACCINATED TRAVELLERS

i. Protocols for Pre-Arrival

Compulsory requirements for all arriving passengers/travellers

All travellers must:

- a. Submit a health questionnaire online at least 24 hours prior to arrival in Dominica (website)at http://domcovid19.dominica.gov.dm/
- b. Upload a negative PCR test result from swab taken within 24-72 hours prior to arrival.
- c. Pay for Antigen test online (XCD\$100)

ii. Disembarkation:

All Travellers shall:

- a. sanitize their hands at sanitization stations as directed.
- b. undergo a health assessment to include a temperature check.

iii. Quarantine and testing:

a. Traveller shall quarantine on their vessel for a minimum of 5 to 7 days.

- b. A PCR test will be administered to the traveller on Day 5 after arrival and travellers will await the results for up to 48 hours.
 - i. If the result of the PCR test done on Day 5 is positive, traveller will be admitted to COVID Isolation Unit until released by an authorized Health Professional. Hospital fees will apply.
 - ii. If the result of the PCR test done on Day 5 is negative, traveller will be deemed medically cleared at the discretion of medical officials

5. PROTOCLS FOR MEDICALLY CLEARED VESSELS

- i. When all passengers on a vessel have been medically cleared, the vessel will be allowed to move to the "cleared" area of the harbor as established by DASPA. This will facilitate identification of vessels within quarantine versus those which have been medically cleared. A flag will also be attached to those vessels.
- ii. Vessels which have been medically cleared shall also be granted Coastwise permission to other designated ports. Vessels which have been medically cleared shall fly a royal blue flag indicating their status.

Please be guided accordingly.

PERMANENT SECRETARY (AG.)

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