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ADDITIONAL MEASURES FOR PASSENGERS TO REDUCE FURTHER IMPORTATION OF COVID-19 CASES

In view of the heightened risk of importation of COVID-19 cases into Singapore, the Multi-Ministry Taskforce will implement additional measures for all travellers entering Singapore. Please refer to the Singapore's Ministry of Health's (MOH) press release at Annex A.

2 **From 20 March 2020, 2359 hours,** all Singaporeans, Permanent Residents, Long Term Pass holders and short term visitors entering Singapore will be issued a 14-day Stay-Home Notice (SHN).[1] They will have to provide proof of the place where they will serve the 14-day SHN, for example a hotel booking covering the entire period, or a place of residence they or their family members own. However, Singaporeans, Singapore Permanent Residents and Long Term Pass holders with recent travel history to China's Hubei Province will be subject to quarantine upon their return to Singapore.

3 In addition, all work pass holders[2] (including dependants and foreign domestic workers) will be required to obtain the Ministry of Manpower's (MOM) prior approval before they are allowed to enter Singapore. They will have to show the MOM approval letter to the airline staff at check-in at the point of departure, and to the Immigration and Checkpoints Authority (ICA) officers upon arrival in Singapore, to gain entry into Singapore. Please refer to MOM's press release at Annex B.

4 As announced previously, short-term visitors with travel history to mainland China, France, Germany, Iran, Italy, Republic of Korea and Spain within the last 14 days, are not allowed to enter Singapore or transit through Singapore.

[1] The SHN will not apply to travellers transiting in Singapore without leaving the transit area.

[2] Refers to holders of any of the following passes issued by MOM: Employment Pass, EntrePass, Personalised Employment Pass, S Pass, Work Permit, Training Employment Pass, Work Holiday Pass, Dependant's Pass, Long Term Visit Pass.

5 All short-term visitors, who are nationals of any ASEAN country, will also have to submit requisite information on their health to the Singapore Overseas Mission in the country they are resident before their intended date of travel. The submission will have to be approved by MOH before travel to Singapore, and the approval will be verified by the ICA officers at the Singapore checkpoints. Short-term visitors, who arrive in Singapore without the necessary approval from MOH, will be denied entry into Singapore.

6 The existing measures which apply to all inbound travellers, such as requiring those who exhibit fever and/or other symptoms of respiratory illness to undergo a COVID-19 swab test at the checkpoints, will continue to apply.

7 A summary of the existing measures, including the ones announced in paragraph 2, is at Annex C. All airlines must ensure full compliance with the measures in force, including screening of passengers' recent travel history and the necessary approval letters where applicable, at the point of departure for all flights to Singapore. The information on the additional precautionary measures will be updated in the IATA Timatic service.

8 Existing Not-To-Land (NTL) policies and procedures will apply for passengers who are denied entry into Singapore or transit through Singapore.

9 CAAS will continue to monitor the developments and work closely with the relevant stakeholders to provide timely updates to the aviation community. Any queries on the above measures will be addressed at the briefing scheduled at 10am on 19 March 2020 at Changi Airport Terminal 2 Level 3, RHA (behind SORA, Nando's).

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