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TRAVEL ADVISORY TO THE GAMBIA

The Embassy wishes to inform that a State of Public Emergency (SoPE) has been extended in The Gambia for a period of 21 days with effect from 27th August 2020.

Individuals desirous to travel to the Republic of The Gambia under the prevailing SoPE and the Public Health (Dangerous Infectious Diseases) Protection Regulations 2020 are invited to note that **all land, sea and air borders of The Gambia remain closed.**

It is important to note that the SoPE announced regulations suspending Entry and Exit into The Gambia except for:

1. Humanitarian flights bringing Gambians home
2. Diplomats
3. Humanitarian workers subject to prior approval from the competent authorities
4. Drivers of essential commodities
5. Persons seeking urgent medical attention abroad
6. Cargo flights

Gambian nationals who are neither in possession of a valid Gambian Identity Card nor a Passport are urged to **apply for a Travel Document** that would permit them to travel to The Gambia. This document can only be used to travel to Banjul International Airport. Non-Gambians should be in **physical possession of their valid residential permits.**

Desirous travellers must be **in physical possession of the relevant documents** to facilitate their journey to The Gambia. Those that are not among the above-mentioned categories are encouraged to **postpone travel plans** and to continue monitoring the situation.

Failure to provide the necessary documents would lead to refusal to proceed to boarding the flight by the Immigration Officials at the Border Control Point of the airport that the flight destined to land at the Banjul International Airport will depart.

Furthermore, any individual travelling to The Gambia must be in possession of **a negative Covid-19 test result not older than 72 hours before arrival.**

Any individual who breaches this Regulation on the border closures commits an offence and is liable upon conviction to **a fine of Five Thousand Gambian Dalasi (D5,000).**

All travellers to The Gambia are strongly encouraged to remain vigilant and committed to the fight against the coronavirus disease.

The Gambia has **14 days mandatory quarantine** for all travellers arriving in the country.

Please note that the above conditions can change rapidly at any time.