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PREVENTIVE MEASURES FOR CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19)

Mandatory Preventive Isolation (MPI) for passengers

Via Resolution N.001, the Ministry of Government and the Ministry of Exterior Relations and Human Mobility have established the following preventive measures, in force since 00h00 of March 13th, 2020. Measures have been updated via Resolution N.002, in force since 0h00 of March 15th, 2020 :

1. Mandatory preventive Isolation (MPI) for 14 days to any passenger travelling from:
 - a. China (Hubei and Guangdong), Spain, France, Iran, Germany, Italy and South Korea (**since 00h00 of March 13th, 2020**)
 - b. Denmark, United States of America (Massachusetts, California, New York and Washington), Norway, Netherlands, Sweden and Switzerland (**since 0h00 of March 15th, 2020**).
2. MPI does not apply to flight crews. Security protocols established by each airline will be applicable, with the purpose of avoiding repercussions in flight schedules and guaranteeing connectivity.
3. MPI shall be fulfilled in private residences or permanent stay locations.
4. Passengers under MPI when entering the country shall inform the Migration Authority the address where they will be staying for the upcoming 14 days, which has to be located within the same city through which they made their entrance to the territory.
5. Accommodation and transportation shall be hired prior entrance to the country and the migration authority shall verify that the accommodation site is adequate, that the passenger has the economical means of maintenance for the isolation period and that they have corresponding private transportation.
6. The entrance to the country of the passenger who does not comply with the provided measures will be denied and he/she shall depart from the country through the same means utilized to enter it and assuming all costs.
7. The State will not cover passengers' expenses during MPI or alike.
8. At any entry point to Ecuador, the Migration Authority will hand an Special Migration Form to all passengers with guidelines regarding MPI, which the passenger shall complete and sign. Upon denial to sign said form, the passenger's entrance will be denied and he/she shall depart the country through the same means utilized to enter it and assuming all costs.
9. In case of symptoms during MPI, the passenger shall contact the Ecuadorian Sanitary Authority.
10. Urging sectional governments to provide support required for compliance with the Resolution.
11. Failure to observe MPI measures shall be sanctioned according to national legislation.

According to Resolution N.001, passengers from the aforementioned countries beginning their trip on Thursday, March 12th, 2020, shall comply with MPI but the reservations will not be required. If passengers are unable to fulfill such requirement they shall depart the country utilizing the same means through which they entered it, assuming all costs.

According to Resolution N.002, passengers from the aforementioned countries beginning their trip until March 14th, 2020, shall comply with MPI but the reservations will not be required. If passengers are unable to fulfill such requirement they shall depart the country utilizing the same means through which they entered it, assuming all costs.

If you would like further information regarding these Resolutions, do not hesitate to contact us.

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