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ANNEX III

PART I

REGULATORY ADMINISTRATIVE ACTS

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THE QUARANTINE LAW, CAP. 260

Decree by virtue of article 6(a), (b), (c), (d), (e) and (g)

Cap. 260.
ANAK. 307
32(I) of 2003
31(I) of 2020
72(I) of 2020.

The Minister of Health, in exercising the powers conferred upon him by article 6(a), (b), (c), (d), (e) and (g) of the Quarantine Law, Cap. 260 and by the Decision of the Council of Ministers dated 3 March 2022, hereby issues the following Decree:

Whereas protecting the public health and the health care system is the responsibility of the Republic and for imperative urgency arising from the epidemiological data with the aim of preventing the spread of COVID-19, protecting public health and preventing a possible collapse of the health system due to the spread of the virus, taking into consideration the requirements in human resources and logistical infrastructures necessary to cope with the rapid spread of the virus and whereas the taking of requisite measures has become imperative; and

Government
Gazette, Annex
III (I):
23.3.2020.

Whereas by Notice published in the Government Gazette of the Republic, upon authorization by the Council of Ministers, the Minister of Health has declared the local districts of Nicosia, Limassol, Larnaca, Famagusta and Paphos as being infected with Covid-19, pursuant to article 4 of the Quarantine Law, Cap. 260; and

Whereas, taking into consideration that by 26 March 2022, 88.5% of the adult population received at least one dose of the vaccine and 85.2% completed the vaccination scheme, but at the same time from 10 until 24 March 2022, 55.768 cases have been recorded, while the average rate of persons hospitalized daily is around 160 patients per day, and from 10 until 24 March 2022 28 deaths of patients have been recorded with COVID-19 being the ultimate cause of death, and because there are indications as to the 'Omicron' variant's increased transmissibility and until the full evaluation of the variant's epidemiological data on an international level and because there is an increased risk of re-infection after recovery from COVID-19 within a timeframe of less than six months, the following Regulations shall apply for the Districts of Nicosia, Limassol, Larnaca, Famagusta and Paphos:

Government
Gazette, Annex
III (I):
4.3.2022

1. This Decree shall be cited as the Quarantine (Determination of Measures to Prevent the Spread of COVID-19 Coronavirus) (Amendment) Decree (No. 16) of 2022 and it will be read in tandem with the Quarantine (Determination of Measures to Prevent the

11.3.2022
18.3.2022

Spread of COVID-19 Coronavirus) Decrees (No. 13) until (No. 15) of 2022 (which shall be cited henceforth as "the basic decree") and the basic decree and this Decree will be jointly cited as the Quarantine (Determination of Measures to Prevent the Spread of COVID-19 Coronavirus) Decrees (No. 13) until (No. 16) of 2022.

Amendment of
Regulation 2 of
the basic
decree.

2. Regulation 2 of the basic decree shall be amended by deleting the phrase "31st March 2022 at 23.59 p.m." (second line) and replacing it with the phrase "11th April 2022 at 23.59 p.m."

Amendment of
Regulation 61 of
the basic
decree.

3. Regulation 61 of the basic decree shall be amended:

- (a) by deleting the full stop at the end of paragraph (4) thereof and replacing it with a comma; and
- (b) by inserting immediately thereafter the following new paragraph (5):

"(5) Subject to the guidelines of the Ministry of Health, health professionals in public and private hospitals who are primary contacts of confirmed positive cases, shall comply with the Ministry of Health's health protocol relating to Health Professionals."

4. This Decree shall enter into force upon its publication in the official Gazette of the Republic.

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Minister of Health