Autonomous Bougainville Government

BOUGAINVILLE EMERGENCY CONTROLLER

EMERGENCY ORDER#: 4

Pursuant to Resolution NO: 7 of 2020, dated 11th/06/2020 of the Bougainville House of Representative for extension of the Bougainville Emergency for further two (2) months **I, FRANCIS N. TOKURA OBE, QPM, DPS,** Chief of the Bougainville Police Service and Bougainville Emergency Controller, by virtue of Powers conferred on me by *section 6 of Bougainville Emergency Act 2006,* as authorized under section *200 of the Bougainville Constitution,* made pursuant to section 322 of the Constitution of Papua New Guinea, hereby issue the following Orders for immediate implementation;

1. The following businesses shall commence normal operations but shall continue to observe the " new normal practices" and the mandatory health measures;

    a) Pharmaceutical, Medical clinics and Private Health services;
    b) Banking and financial services;
    c) Grocery shops, trade stores and supermarkets;
    d) Hotels Restaurants and Coffee shops,
    e) Telecommunication services and Public utilities;
    f) Fuel stations;
    g) All bakeries, haus kai, restaurants, food bars within the urban towns of Buka, Arawa, Buin and Kokopau.

2. All vehicles (both PMVs and private) shall be allowed to carry passengers according to the following requirements;

    a) All 4 to 6 tonne, trucks will be allowed to carry not more than 30 passengers (persons);
    b) All standard 10 ten seaters and 5 door and open back Toyota vehicles shall be allowed to carry not more than 10 passengers (persons);
    c) All taxis shall not carry more than 4 passengers in the cabin and no passengers are allowed to be seated at the back tray, except for conveying of cargoes and goods;

d) All motor cycles are allowed to carry only two passengers including the rider.

3. The following activities **shall not attract** more than 100 people at any at any one time;
   a) Public gatherings,
   b) Church Services or preaching;
   c) Assembly and meetings;
   d) Singsing Groups

4. All road side markets shall open. Ward market committees shall continue to ensure social/physical distancing is observed and complied with.

5. All boats ferrying or transporting passengers shall comply with the following;
   a) 24ft boats are allowed to carry not more 12 passengers;
   b) 23ft boats are allowed to carry not more than 10 passengers,
   c) 19ft boats are allowed to carry not more than 8; and
   d) Small craft vessels or yachts are allowed to carry not more than 30 passengers.

6. The main markets in Arawa and Buin towns shall be allowed to open except for Pikus and Bendaun Markets in Arawa. Buka and Kokopau Town main markets shall remain closed until proper public health measures are fully enforced. For example handwashing resources, toilet facilities and precautionary measures like social/physical distancing.

7. There shall be no small markets operating within and inside the vicinity of Buka, Arawa, Buin and Kokopau Towns.

8. There is total ban on the sale of betel nut in the vicinity of Buka, Arawa, Buin and Kokopau Towns.

9. There is continued total ban on the production, transportation, distribution, supply, sale and consumption of all forms of alcohol throughout Bougainville.

10. Alcohol is only allowed to be served as beverage with meals at hotels, guesthouses and restaurants.

11. All shops, trade stores and canteens are required to operate only during normal business hours.
    a) Within the towns of Buka, Arawa, Buin and Kokopau, shall operate from 9am-5pm
    b) Trade stores and canteens located outside the main business center shall be open from 9am-10pm.

12. There shall be no increase in price of goods and services at the wholesale, retail and depots throughout Bougainville unless approved by the Independent Consumer Competition Commission (ICCC).

13. All sporting activities shall commence in the constituencies but officials must comply with precautionary measures. For example, social/physical distancing.

14. All candidates, supporters and voters of the 2020 ABG General Election, are required to observe and comply with orders specific to precautionary measures like social/physical distancing and public health measures. A specific supplementary order on the conduct of the election within this SOE period will be issued in close consultation with the Office of the Bougainville Electoral Commissioner (OBEC).

15. Order 3 of Supplementary Order 4 is lifted. There shall be two (2) weekly commercial flights into Buka/ Kieta Airport by the two airline operators. Additional commercial flights including charter flights shall only be allowed to operate, upon prior written approval from the Bougainville SOE Controller.

16. Order 6 of Supplementary Order 4 is varied in the following;

    a) No medical clearance is required for intending travellers to Bougainville. However, it is mandatory to obtain prior approval from the Bougainville SOE Controller;

    b) Upon arrival at the airport, passengers are required to undergo quarantine checks, per the SOE Standard Operating Procedures;

    c) Passengers to provide a health surveillance form/health declaration form;

d) International travellers are required to undergo 14-days quarantine at a designated hotel or alternative in Port Moresby. A valid medical clearance certificate shall be produced upon entry into Bougainville.

17. Order 23 of Order 2 is strictly maintained. There is continued ban on travel and trade between the people of Bougainville and Solomon Islands. This includes Traditional Border Crossers at the international border of Papua New Guinea and Solomon Islands

18. Failure to comply is breach of the SOE Orders and is liable for prosecution.

This Order supersedes all other Orders issued. Where this Order is inconsistent or is in conflict with other orders, this Order prevails and where this Order is silent on a particular matter, the prevailing order applies.

This Emergency Order is effective as of 17th June 2020

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Bougainville Emergency Controller