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EMERGENCY POWERS ACT
(Cap. 22:04)

EMERGENCY POWERS (COVID-19) REGULATIONS, 2020
(Cap. 22:04 (Sub. Leg.))

Restriction on Movement

NOTICE IS HEREBY given that His Excellency the President has, in accordance with regulation 5 (1) and (4) of the Emergency Powers (COVID-19) Regulations, 2020, and on evidence submitted to him by the Director of Health Services that the risks posed by COVID-19 have increased in Botswana, declared a restriction on movement of persons from the 1st April, 2021 to the 30th September, 2021.

The restriction on movement of persons shall apply from 2000 hours to 0400 hours daily.

For the avoidance of doubt —

- (1) a person shall be required to carry a movement permit (essential services) issued under regulation 7 (1) to travel during hours where movement is restricted; and
- (2) from the 1st April, 2021 to the 30th September, 2021 all gatherings are suspended, with the exception of the following —
 - (a) a meeting of Cabinet;
 - (b) a meeting of the National Assembly;
 - (c) a meeting of a Council;
 - (d) a meeting of the National Task Force on COVID-19;
 - (e) a funeral may be held with a maximum of 50 persons for a maximum of two hours;
 - (f) a religious service may be held on any two days of the week, for a maximum of two hours and the number of persons attending a service shall not exceed 50;
 - (g) wedding celebrations are suspended:
Provided that a solemnisation may be held with a maximum of four persons excluding administrators;
 - (h) a cultural and traditional occasion (*go isa mafoko, patlo, magadi, kgoroso*) may be held with a maximum of 16 persons for a maximum of two hours;
 - (i) a meeting and workshop may be held with a maximum of 50 persons for a maximum of two hours;
 - (j) a restaurant shall operate at half capacity for on-site dinning, with a maximum of 50 persons (excluding staff) at any given time; and
 - (k) sports and recreational activities are suspended:
Provided that a national team sport activity may be held and spectators shall not be in attendance at the facility where the national team sport activity is held.

DATED this 1st day of April, 2021.

DR. MOKGWEETSI ERIC KEABETSWWE MASISI,
President.