

The Notification of the Civil Aviation Authority of Thailand on Practical Guideline for Air Operators Concerning Services to be Provided in the Territories Defined as Disease Infected Zones of the Coronavirus Disease (COVID – 19) Outbreak outside the Kingdom of Thailand

With reference to the Notification of the Minister of Public Health, deriving from the advice of the National Communicable Diseases Committee, declaring that Coronavirus Disease (COVID – 19) is a dangerous communicable disease under the Communicable Diseases Act B.E. 2558 (2015) and the Notification of the Ministry of Public Health on Territories Defined as Disease Infected Zones of the Coronavirus Disease (COVID – 19) Outbreak Outside the Kingdom of Thailand, designating the Republic of Korea, the People's Republic of China, including Macao and Hong Kong Special Administrative Regions, the Italian Republic and the Islamic Republic of Iran as Disease Infected Zones of the Coronavirus Disease (COVID – 19) Outbreak.

In order to provide practical guidance for air operators in the performance of flights between those Disease Infected Zones and to support the surveillance measures taken by the Ministry of Public Health, the Civil Aviation Authority of Thailand hereby issues the following Practical Guideline for Air Operators Concerning Services to be Provided in the Territories Defined as Disease Infected Zones of the Coronavirus Disease (COVID – 19) Outbreak outside the Kingdom of Thailand as follows:

1. Where the Ministry of Public Health defines any territory outside Thailand as a Disease Infected Zone of the Coronavirus Disease (COVID – 19) Outbreak, the passengers travelling from such Disease Infected Zone must be subject to quarantine and any other measures for the prevention and control of communicable diseases as imposed by the Government of the Kingdom of Thailand.

2. Air operators providing services from an airport of embarkation in the Disease Infected Zones are required to perform the screening of passengers at the time of check in. Health Certificate certifying that the passengers pose no risk of being infected by Coronavirus Disease (COVID -19) must be presented. If a passenger is unable to present such certificate, boarding pass shall not be issued to the passenger.

3. Air operators may consider applying the measure specified in 2 for the screening of passengers from an airport of embarkation in countries and Special Administration Regions where reports on cases of Coronavirus Disease (COVID – 19) infection have been made by the Ministry of Public Health or World Health Organization.

4. After the Health Certificate requirement has been satisfied and the boarding passes are issued to the passengers, the air operators shall furnish the passengers with Form T 8 in accordance with the Communicable Diseases Act B.E. 2558 (2015) and require the passengers to fill out the forms and submit them to the communicable disease control officials at international communicable disease control checkpoint of the airport of disembarkation.

5. The communicable disease control officials at international communicable disease control checkpoint of the airport of disembarkation have the power to issue orders in accordance with the Communicable Diseases Act B.E.

2558 (2015) as follows:

(1) prohibiting any person from entering into or departing from the aircraft coming into the Kingdom of Thailand without having undergone screening by communicable disease control officials at international communicable disease control checkpoint;

(2) prohibiting any vehicle and craft from approaching such

aircraft:

(3) proceeding or issuing orders in writing for the air operators

to take the following actions:

(a) remove the infection in order to prevent and control the spread of the disease, detain the aircraft at a specified place until the communicable disease control officials at international communicable disease control checkpoint give permission for its release

(b) require the persons on board the aircraft to undergo medical examination; such person may also be isolated, quarantined, confined for

observation, or immunized at a specified place and period.

- 6. The air operators shall be responsible for the expenses incurred for the transportation of the persons travelling on board the aircraft to be isolated, quarantined, confined for observation, and immunized, including the expenses for the care, hospitalization of such person and the prevention and control of international communicable disease.
- 7. The air operators shall strictly comply with measures for the surveillance, prevention and control of dangerous communicable diseases as issued by the Ministry of Public Health under the Communicable Diseases Act B.E. 2558 (2015).
- 8. The air operators shall notify their staff at the airport of embarkation and the cabin crew members of the above guideline and require their full compliance. The cabin crew members shall also make additional on board public announcement of such guidelines to the passengers.

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