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CANCELLATION OF PROTECTIVE MEASURE

The Ministry of Health, as the competent administrative authority, pursuant to Section 80(1)(h) of Act No. 258/2000 Coll., on Public Health Protection and amendments to certain related acts, as amended (hereinafter referred to as "Act No. 258/2000 Coll."), proceeding pursuant to Section 68(1) and (3) in conjunction with Section 94a(4) of Act No. 258/2000 Coll., Coll.,

I.

cancels the protective measure of 10 February 2020, Ref. No. MZDR 5503/2020-2/PRO.

II.

This cancellation of the protective measure takes effect on the day of its issue.

Rationale:

Under the protective measure of the Ministry of Health Ref. No. MZDR 5503/2020-2/PRO of 10 February 2020 (hereinafter referred to as the "protective measure"), the diplomatic missions of the Czech Republic in the People's Republic of China and Hong Kong were ordered, effective from 10 February 2020, to not accept visa and residency applications, not conduct proceedings with respect thereto, and not to issue decisions in these matters, including the granting of visas, except for applications for short-term Schengen visas for family members of citizens of the Czech Republic, and the Ministry of Interior was ordered to suspend decision-making on ongoing proceedings for the granting of residency permits submitted to the diplomatic missions in China and Hong Kong.

Pursuant to Section 94a(4) of Act No. 258/2000 Coll., it applies that if the reasons for issuing the general measure pursuant to subsection (2) were to pass or change, the public health protection authority would immediately cancel or change the measure.

Because the government of the Czech Republic adopted measure No. 203 on 13 March 2020, declared under No. 76/2020 Coll., under which it imposed a ban on entry for all foreigners with effect from 16 March 2020, except for citizens with temporary residence for more than 90 days or permanent residence in the Czech Republic, the reasons for the existence of the more narrowly-focussed ban, which is the subject of the protective measure, ceased to exist.

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