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EXTRAORDINARY MEASURE

The Ministry of Health, as the competent administrative authority pursuant to Section 80(1)(g) of Act No 258/2000, on public health protection and amendments to certain related acts, as amended (hereinafter referred to as “Act No 258/2000”), **orders** this Extraordinary Measure proceeding pursuant to Section 69(1)(i) and (2) of Act No 258/2000, in order to protect the population and prevent the occurrence and spread of the COVID-19 disease caused by the new SARS-CoV-2 coronavirus:

I.

1. With effect from 12:00 a.m. of 12 May 2020 until 12:00 a.m. of 25 May 2020, all persons are prohibited from moving about and staying in any location outside of their dwelling without protective respiratory equipment (nose, mouth) such as a respirator, face mask, mouthpiece, scarf, shawl or other device to prevent the spreading of droplets, with the exception of;
 - a) children under two years of age,
 - b) children in maternity schools when at such maternity school or a children’s group while on the premises where the children’s group is conducted, and teachers at maternity schools,
 - c) children, pupils, students and participants in education, participants in acceptance examinations, members of examination committees and teachers at schools and educational facilities listed in the register of schools, and persons at educational institutions providing one-year foreign language courses with daily lessons or providing consultancy services in the same room, if a distance of at least 1.5 m is maintained between them,
 - d) students, participants in acceptance examinations, academic employees, members of the examination committees for state examinations and acceptance examinations at universities pursuant to Act No 111/1998, if a distance of at least 1.5 m is maintained between them and there are no more than 15 people in the room,
 - e) persons with intellectual disability, cognitive disorders or severe mental state alterations, whose mental capacity or current mental state does not allow them to observe this prohibition,
 - f) persons in a closed vehicles if they are all members of the same household.
 - g) persons for the essential time needed to take their portrait photograph, or photographs of newlyweds,
 - h) public transport drivers who are alone in a closed cabin separated from the area designated for transporting passengers,
 - i) persons performing copyrighted works (e.g. theatre, dance, or musical performances) and persons participating in the creation and production of audio-visual works or programs, if the conditions under paragraph 2 are met,

- j) presenters, reporters and similar persons presenting radio, television, and other programs, in a studio and without guests, and only if the conditions under paragraph 2 are met,
 - k) patients and healthcare workers, if required to provide medical care, for the necessary period of time.
2. Organizers of performances of copyrighted works, creators and producers of audio-visual works or programs are ordered – if they require the person specified under paragraph 1 (i) or (j) (hereinafter the “artist”) to perform without protective respiratory equipment while performing the copyrighted work or producing the program – to ensure the fulfilment of the following conditions with effect from 12 May 2020:
- in the case of the persons specified under letter (i), the artist has taken a RT-PCR test for the presence of SARS-CoV-2 with a negative result that is no more than 4 days old before the date of commencing the performance of the work or recording of the audio-visual work or program, and subsequently at least once every 14 days for as long as the performance of the work lasts,
 - a distance of at least 2 metres is maintained between the performing artists and other persons carrying out activities related to the performance of the copyright work or creation of the audio-visual work or program (hereinafter the “collaborators”), artists and audience, etc. at the place of the performance of the copyrighted work; this distance need not be maintained between the performing artists,
 - the place of performing the copyrighted work or recording the audio-visual work or program is regularly disinfected, and regularly ventilated if it is a closed space,
 - hand disinfectant is available to the artists and their collaborators,
 - if any of the artists or their collaborators has a body temperature of 37°C or higher, or other COVID-19 disease symptoms, they must be prevented from entering the place of performance of the copyrighted work or creation of the audio-visual work or program.

II.

The extraordinary measure of 30 April 2020, Ref. No 15757/2020-13/MIN/KAN, is hereby repealed.

III.

This extraordinary measure takes effect on 12 May 2020.

Justification:

This extraordinary measure has been issued in connection with the development of the epidemiological situation in relation to the COVID-19 disease caused by the novel coronavirus designated as SARS-CoV-2 in Europe.

Given the current spread of the COVID-19 disease in the Czech Republic and in most

countries around the world, it is necessary to prevent the further spread of the COVID-19 disease, which the World Health Organisation declared a pandemic on 11 March 2020.

This measure is an important prerequisite for preventing the spread of the COVID-19 disease caused by the novel SARS-CoV2 coronavirus in the Czech Republic. The coronavirus is transmitted from person to person in close contact. This is known as airborne droplet infection. It most frequently affects the mucous membranes of the upper and lower respiratory tract and the conjunctiva. The incubation period is two to fourteen days. The most common way for the virus to enter the human body is through the mucous membranes, meaning the mouth, nose and eyes. These places are an open door for the virus.

The aim of this measure is to protect against the spreading of droplets from the carriers of this disease, so as to limit the community transmission of COVID-19 disease as much as possible. For this reason, moving about and staying in any location outside of your dwelling without protective respiratory equipment (nose, mouth) such as a respirator, face mask, mouthpiece, scarf, shawl, or other device to prevent the spreading of droplets, is prohibited.

This extraordinary measure follows up on the currently valid extraordinary measure, in that it stipulates new exemptions for certain participants in education, acceptance examinations for education and for patients and healthcare workers, if required to provide medical care, for the necessary period.

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