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Amendment to Air Travel Regulations Approved and Who Can Go through the Taba Border Crossing

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On Friday, before Shabbat, the Ministerial Committee for Coping with Coronavirus approved (by telephone survey) the following amendment to the air travel regulations:

- 1. All existing regulations are extended until Thursday, 8.4.2021.
- 2. The wording of the Home Isolation Order has been modified in such a way as to allow a vaccinated or recovered individual who has been exposed to a confirmed patient or who stayed in the same home with and without complete separation from, a person who is required to remain in isolation, to board a flight.

Furthermore, it was approved to task the Ministry of Transportation's Director General with coordinating all inter-ministerial staff work between the Ministries of Transportation, Defense, Public Security, Interior, Tourism and Health and the National Security Council (NSC) for examining ways to increase the capacity of inbound and outbound passengers to and from Israel and to draw recommendations for implementing a concrete solution, until Monday, 5.4.2021.

Additionally, the government approved that effective Tuesday, 30.3.2021 until Monday, 12.4.2021 only the following will be allowed to depart from Taba Border Passage upon presenting a toll payment certificate, validated at the date of departure:

- 1. Vaccinated and recovered individuals.
- 2. Anyone leaving Israel to stay in a permanent residence, upon presenting written proof to the exceptional cases committee
- 3. Anyone who is neither a citizen nor a permanent resident of the State of Israel
- 4. Anyone leaving Israel for exceptional humanitarian or essential needs, with approval from the exceptional cases committee
- 5. Foreign diplomats and Israeli emissaries

Furthermore, it has been determined that the only land passages from which inbound passengers may enter Israel are Taba and Jordan River Passages, subject to the restrictions on activity and the mandatory coronavirus testing requirements.

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