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Government Notice No. 74 of 2021

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Restriction on Movement Extension

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, extended the restriction on movement from 28th February, 2021 to 31st March, 2021.

The restriction on movement of persons shall continue to apply from 2200 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
- from 28th February, 2021 to 31st March, 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 less than 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, with a maximum of 50 people (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 26th day of February, 2021.

DR. MOKGWEETSI ERIC KEABETSWE MASISI,

President.

Government Notice No. 75 of 2021

EMERGENCY POWERS ACT (Cap. 22:04)

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

Lifting of Liquor Restrictions

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that His Excellency the President acting in accordance with regulation 30G of the Emergency Powers (COVID-19) Regulations, 2020, has lifted the ban on the sale of liquor from 1st March, 2021, as set out below —

(a) a liquor licensee shall sell intoxicating liquor as set out in the Schedule:

Provided that -

- (i) intoxicating liquor shall be sold for off-site consumption only, and
- (ii) a restaurant licensed under the Trade Act and a bar licensed under the Liquor Act shall sell intoxicating liquor for off-site consumption only;
- (b) a distributor liquor and wholesale liquor licensee shall sell liquor to a liquor licensee (liquor trader) only;
- (c) a traditional beer licensee shall sell traditional beer as set out in the Schedule:

Provided that -

- (i) intoxicating liquor shall be sold for off-site consumption only, and
- (ii) a licensee has satisfied the Director of Health Services, or any person authorised by the Director that he or she is able to comply with directions for the prevention of spread of COVID-19 issued by the Director of Health Services as published in the Government *Gazette*, with the exception of the requirement to take and record body temperature;
- (d) consumption of liquor in public places is prohibited; and
- (e) liquor shall only be consumed at a person's place of residence.

SCHEDULE

Licence	Days	Hours	
Liquor			
Bar liquor	Monday to Friday (including a public holiday which falls on Monday to Friday)	1000 hours to 1800 hours	
Bottle store liquor	Monday to Friday (including a public holiday which falls on Monday to Friday)	1000 hours to 1600 hours	
Liquor depot	Monday to Friday (including a public holiday which falls on Monday to Friday)	1000 hours to 1800 hours	
Distributor liquor	Monday to Saturday (including a public holiday which falls on Monday to Saturday)	0800 hours to 1700 hours	
Wholesale liquor	Monday to Saturday (including a public holiday which falls on Monday to Saturday)	0800 hours to 1700 hours	
Club liquor	Monday to Friday (including a public holiday which falls on Monday to Friday)	1000 hours to 1800 hours	
Restaurant bar	Monday to Sunday (including a public holiday which falls on Monday to Sunday)	1000 hours to 1800 hours	
Discotheque/nightclub	Closed	Closed	
Temporary liquor	Closed	Closed	
Traditional Beer			
Liquor depot	Monday to Friday (including a public holiday which falls on Monday to Friday)	1000 hours to 1700 hours	

Government Notice No. 371 of 2020 is hereby revoked.

DATED this 26th day of February, 2021.