I hereby exercise the power conferred by section 5 of the Prevention and Control of Disease (Regulation of Cross-boundary Conveyances and Travellers) Regulation (Chapter 599 sub. leg. H) to specify, with effect from 1 October 2020:

(A) for the purposes of the definition of specified place in section 2(1) of that Regulation, the following places outside Hong Kong as a specified place:—

(1) Bangladesh
(2) Ethiopia
(3) India
(4) Indonesia
(5) Kazakhstan
(6) Nepal
(7) Pakistan
(8) the Philippines
(9) South Africa
(10) United Kingdom
(11) United States of America

(B) for the purposes of sections 3(1) and 4(1) of that Regulation, in respect of a person [see Note below] who, on the day on which the person boarded a civil aviation aircraft that arrives at, or is about to arrive at Hong Kong (“specified aircraft”), or during the 14 days before that day, has stayed in any specified place (“the relevant traveller”), the following conditions:—

(1) the relevant traveller provides the following documentary proof:—

(a) the test report in English or Chinese issued by a laboratory or healthcare institution bearing the name of the relevant traveller identical to that in his/her valid travel document to show that:—

(i) the relevant traveller underwent a nucleic acid test for the coronavirus disease 2019 (“COVID-19”) the sample for which was taken from the relevant traveller within 72 hours before the scheduled time of departure of the specified aircraft;

(ii) the test conducted on the sample is a nucleic acid test for COVID-19; and

(iii) the result of the test is the relevant traveller was tested negative for COVID-19;

(b) if the report in paragraph (a) above is not in English or Chinese or does not contain all of the information in sub-paragraphs (a)(i) to (iii) above, a written confirmation in English or Chinese issued by the laboratory or healthcare institution bearing the name of the relevant traveller identical to that in his/her valid travel document and setting out all of the information in sub-paragraphs (a)(i) to (iii) above. The said written confirmation should be presented together with the test report in paragraph (a) above; and

(c) documentary proof in English or Chinese to show that the laboratory or healthcare institution is ISO 15189 accredited or is recognised or approved by the relevant authority of the government of the place in which the laboratory or healthcare institution is located; and

(2) the relevant traveller has confirmation in English or Chinese of room reservation in a hotel in Hong Kong for not less than 14 days starting on the day of the arrival of the relevant traveller in Hong Kong; and
(3) the operator of the specified aircraft submits to the Department of Health before the specified aircraft arrives at Hong Kong a document in a form specified by the Department of Health confirming that each relevant traveller has, before being checked-in for the flight to Hong Kong on that aircraft, produced for boarding on the aircraft the documentary proof to show that the conditions in (1) and (2) above are met.

G.N. (E.) 116 of 2020 will be suspended upon the commencement of the above specifications on 1 October 2020.

Note:—

The person in part (B) above does not include:—

(1) a person who is in transit in Hong Kong; and

(2) a person who is designated or falls within a category of persons designated under section 4(1) of the Compulsory Quarantine of Certain Persons Arriving at Hong Kong Regulation (Chapter 599 sub. leg. C) or Compulsory Quarantine of Persons Arriving at Hong Kong from Foreign Places Regulation (Chapter 599 sub. leg. E).

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Secretary for Food and Health