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The High-Level Taskforce on COVID-19 Pandemic

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The High-Level Taskforce on COVID-19 Pandemic held its 36th Meeting on the afternoon of Monday 27th April 2020 under the Chairmanship of **H. E. Dr Riek Machar Teny-Dhurgon**, the First Vice President and Deputy Chairman of the **High-Level Taskforce on COVID-19 Pandemic**.

The High-Level Taskforce was briefed on the Coronavirus (COVID-19) Situation in South Sudan, the Region and the Globe by the **Honourable Minister for Health**.

The Honourable Minister informed the **Taskforce**, on Monday 27th April 2020, that the Public Health Laboratory is running more than 150 tests and results

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will be made public once released by the Laboratory. There have been two alerts reported today; one from Juba and the other from Bor. Samples have been sent to the Public Health Laboratory for testing. **South Sudan still has six (6) confirmed cases.**

On Requests for Special Permission to enter or leave the country,

- 1-Grant** Special Permission for freedom of movement and deployment of staff for Ceasefire and Transitional Arrangements Monitoring and Verification Mechanism (CTSAMVM) in accordance with the rule and regulations in operation.
- 2-Grant** Special Permission for the Relief International to fly cargo planes from Juba to Maiwut, Ulang, Mandeng, Kuech, Maban and Mathiang from 28 -30 April 2020. All passengers on these planes must be tested and produce certified evidence of a COVID-19 free status. Passengers returning to Juba from the field do not require testing.
- 3-Grant** Special Permission for the World Health Organisation's (WHO) Mr Alexandre Bli to deliver Thuraya Mobile Phones to Maridi on 30 April 2020.
- 4-Grant** Special Permission for Medair to transport humanitarian supplies to Unity, Jonglei and Upper Nile State from 30 April to 8th May 2020.

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- 5- **Grant** Special Permission for ACROSS to fly a cargo plane to Aweil on 27th April 2020. The passengers must be tested and produce a certified evidence of COVID-19 free stats prior to boarding the plane.
- 6- **Grant** Special Permission for Samaritan's Purse to transport humanitarian supplies to Yida on 30th April 2020.
- 7- **Grant** Special Permission for ARC to transport COVID-19 items to Kajokeji on 27th April 2020 on the vehicle No SSD329B.
- 8- **Grant** Special Permission for ARC to transport assorted medical items to Maban and Ajuongthok from 30 April to 4th May 2020.
- 9- **Grant** Special Permission for AAH to transport humanitarian items to Jamjang on 28-30 April 2020.
- 10- **Grant** Special Permission for IRC to transport items via Rumbek Airport to Ganyliel and Koch from 23rd April to 23rd May 2020. Each flight shall be considered on a case by case basis.
- 11- **Grant** Special Permission for the FCA to transport agricultural inputs, fishing gear and assorted project items to Old Fangak and Tonga by river on 27th April 2020.

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- 12- **Grant** Special Permission for SCI to fly cargo to Lankein on 29th April 2020. Mr Daniel Ohide must be tested and provide a certified evidence of COVID-19 free status before boarding the plane.
- 13- **Grant** Special Permission for CIDO to transport humanitarian assistance by road to Yei on the vehicle No. NNGO/120SSD on 28th April 2020.
- 14- **Grant** Special Permission to TRI-SS to transport COVID-19 related items by road to Kajokeji on vehicle No. SSD729BF from 27 – 30 April 2020. Passengers on board the vehicle must be tested prior to travel.
- 15- **Grant** Special Permission for Plan International to transport humanitarian items by land on vehicle number SSD 441 P from Juba to Pibor from 28 April – 3rd May 2020. Mr Ashraf must be tested for COVID-19 prior to travel.
- 16- **Grant** Special Permission for three staff of ANIWE Company LTD to travel to Aweil, Bentiu and Yida for humanitarian aid related operations. The three staff will be tested prior to travel.
- 17- **Grant** Special Permission for Maltesers International to transport greenhouse materials, 502 portable radios, humanitarian medical assistance, NFIS and hygiene kits from Kampala to Yei, Rumbek and Wau on 01-31 May 2020. Passengers accompanying these cargos must be tested prior to travel.

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- 18- **Grant** Special Permission for Danish Refugee Council to fly a plane with Registration No. 5Y-PEM, Cessna Caravan on a Medivac operation to evacuate a critically ill (non-COVID-19 related) staff member, Mr Geri Emmanuel Charles from Maban to Juba.
- 19- **Grant** Special Permission for Eastern Equatoria Youth Empowerment Group on COVID-19 awareness campaign to travel to Torit and Kapoeta to on vehicle No SSD 731 AA.
- 20- **Grant** Special Permission for the WFP flight No.UN72H to fly from Rumbek -Yida-Juba-Rumbek on a MEDIVAC operation of a UN staff member Mr Eric Batali Duwa Anves on 28th April 2020.
- 21- **Grant** Special Permission for the WFP UNHAS flight from Rumbek - Juba- on a MEDIVAC operation of an NGO staff member, Mr Cesar, on 27th April 2020.
- 22- **Grant** Special Permission for UNISFA Contactor Company EMAHA General Construction and Trading Company to transport construction Material materials from Wau to Abeyi.
- 23- **Grant** Special Permission for the return of the Royal Norwegian Embassy's staff member, Ms Martine Melgaard to South Sudan between 1st and 2nd May 2020. Ms Martine must produce evidence of COVID-19 free status and or evidence of quarantine for 14 days prior to arrival in Juba.

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must submit to a further 14-day-quarantine prior to resuming her routine engagements.

24- **Grant** Special Permission for the remains of the Late Kuir Kiir Guor to be repatriated to South Sudan from Arua, Uganda via Nimule. Passengers in company of the casket must submit to a 14-day-quarantine period upon arrival in South Sudan.

25- **Grant** Special Permission to WASI, CPO to transport COVID-19 Handwashing materials from Juba to Kapoeta.

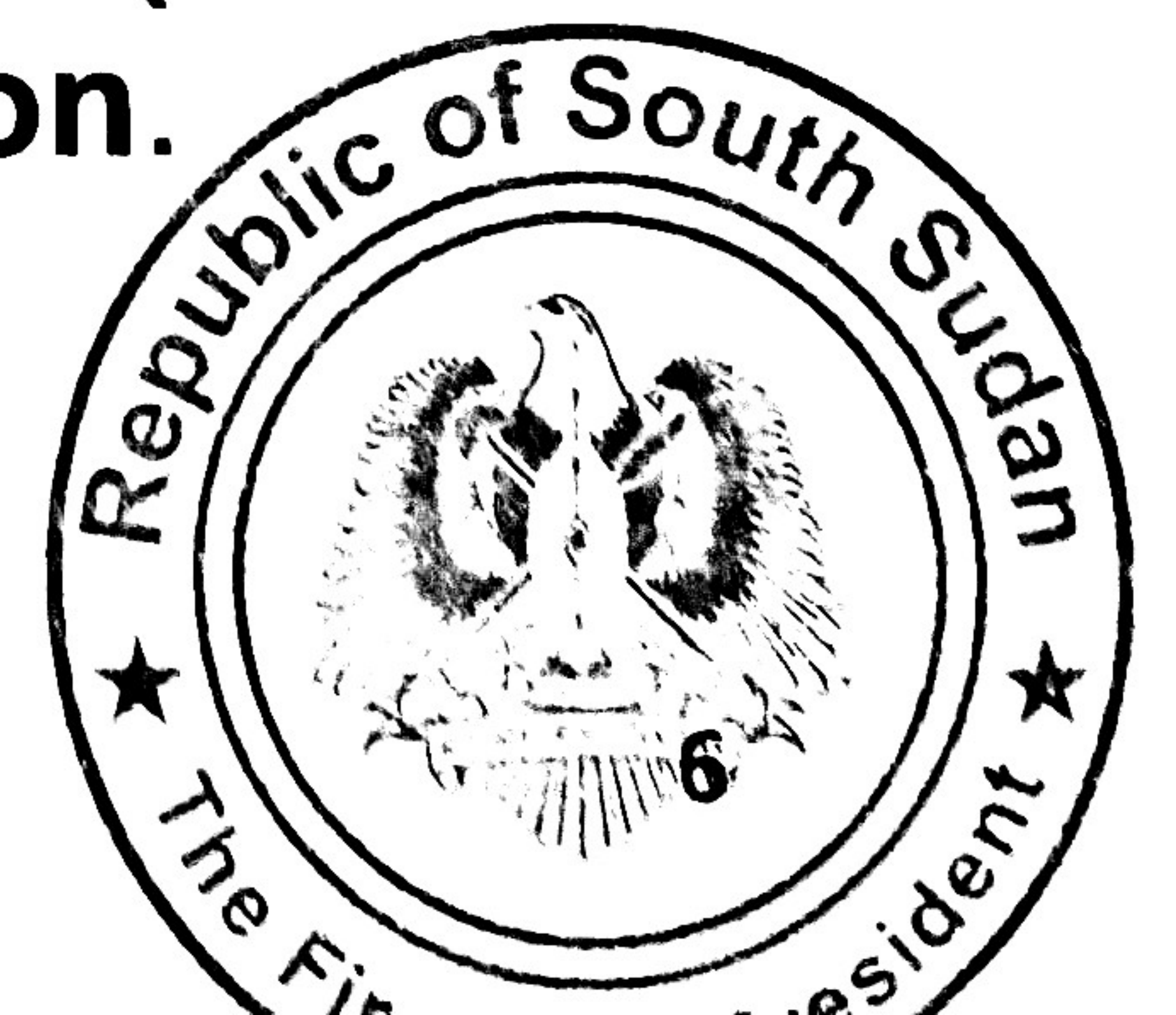
26- **Grant** Special Permission for the Health Pooled Fund (HPF) to transport posters with COVID-19 prevention messages, flipcharts and Boma Health Initiative registers to be transported to different locations in the eight states supported by the HPF. All staff travelling from Juba or Torit on these cargos must be tested prior to travel.

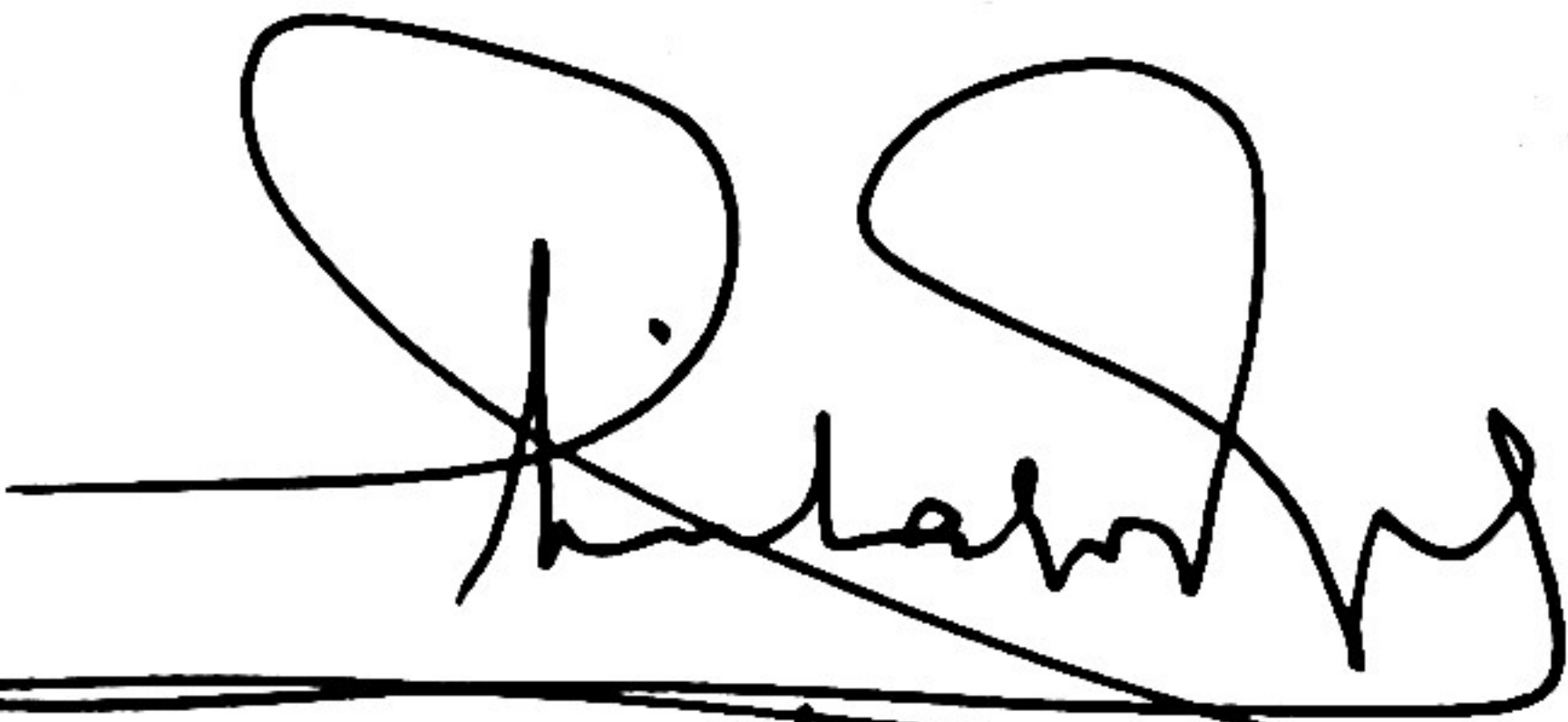
27- **Grant** Special Permission to a South Sudanese private citizen Mr Athian Diing Athian to travel from Wau to Juba.

28- **Grant** Special Permission for the private citizen Mr Abraham Makur to travel to Nimule to attend to the funeral of his Late wife Anyieth Duot. The traveler must be tested for COVID-19 prior to travel.

The High-Level Taskforce on Coronavirus (COVID-19) Pandemic remains seized of the situation.

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