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**The High-Level Taskforce on COVID-19 Pandemic**

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**Juba, South Sudan**

**The High-Level Taskforce on COVID-19 Pandemic** held its 40<sup>th</sup> Meeting on the afternoon of Friday 1<sup>st</sup> May 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** that, the Public Health Laboratory released one Hundred and Thirty-Eight results. Of these, ten (10) cases were confirmed positive while one hundred and twenty-eight

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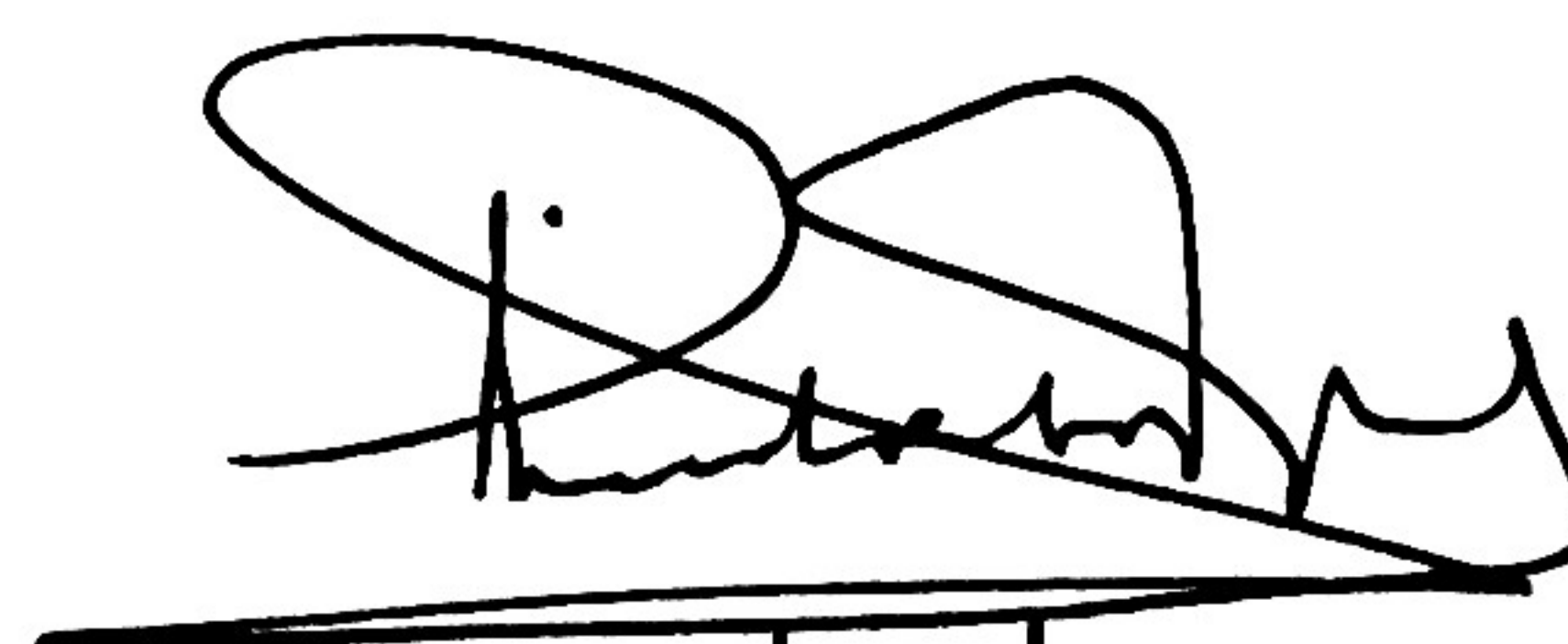


(128) tests returned negative. The confirmed cases were: two truck drivers at Nimule Border Crossing, 6 contacts of case number six (6) and two (2) domestic travelers planning to travel to their home state. **South Sudan now has Forty-Five (45) confirmed cases.**

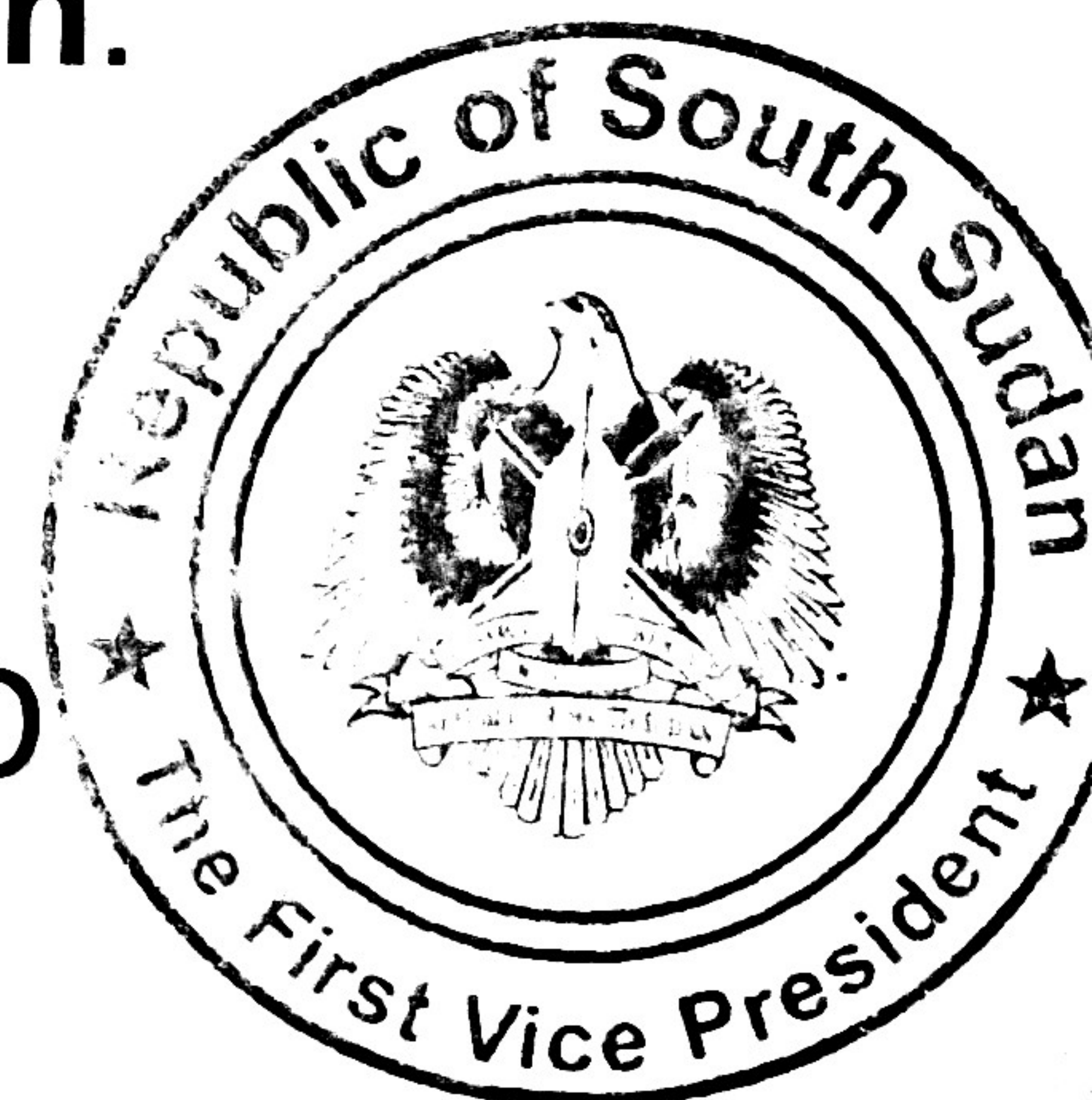
**The High-Level Taskforce** directs to waive the requirement for COVID-19 testing of all Humanitarian Aid workers on official travel to the states. All travelers, however, must observe a 14-day-quarantine prior to travel. Authorised health workers from the Ministry of Health must be allowed free regular access to the quarantine facility.

**The High-Level Taskforce** welcomes the work of the Justice Institutions and Rule of Law on the decongestions of prisons and detention centres, and urges the committee to expedite the process.

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

  
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