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Dear Elin

The Health Protection (Coronavirus, International Travel and Public Health Information to Travellers) (Wales) (Miscellaneous Amendments) (No. 2) Regulations 2021

In accordance with section 11A(4) of the Statutory Instruments Act 1946 I am notifying you that this Statutory Instrument will come into force at 04:00 a.m. on 19 July 2021, less than 21 days after it has been laid. A copy of the instrument and the Explanatory Memorandum that accompanies it are attached for your information.

This statutory instrument amends the Health Protection (Coronavirus, International Travel) (Wales) Regulations 2020 ("the International Travel Regulations") and the Health Protection (Coronavirus, Public Health Information for Persons Travelling to Wales etc.) Regulations 2020 ("the Public Health Information Regulations").

These Regulations amend the International Travel Regulations by making the following changes;

Changes to the Red, Amber and Green lists:

- **Cuba, Indonesia, Myanmar and Sierra Leone** are added to the "red list" of countries and territories
- **The Balearic Islands and British Virgin Islands** are removed from the "green list" of countries and territories and added to the "amber list"
- **Croatia, Bulgaria, Hong Kong and Taiwan** are added to the "green list" of countries and territories

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We welcome receiving correspondence in Welsh. Any correspondence received in Welsh will be answered in Welsh and corresponding in Welsh will not lead to a delay in responding.

Include provision for specified events to use private testing providers for mandatory testing.

Remove the Day 8 PCR test and isolation requirements for fully vaccinated UK residents; children under the age of 18; and people who have taken part in vaccination trials who have arrived from an amber list country. Make various consequential amendments in light of those changes, including to workforce testing requirements.

These Regulations also make consequential amendments to the Public Health Information Regulations so the information operators are required to provide to travellers both prior to and during travel reflects the changes made by these Regulations.

Not adhering to the 21 day convention allows these Regulations to come into force at the earliest opportunity and continue the four nation approach to international travel; in view of the changing evidence on risk in relation to this disease this is considered necessary and justifiable in this case.

I am copying this letter to the Minister for Rural Affairs and North Wales, and Trefnydd, Huw Irranca-Davies, MS, Chair of the Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee, Siwan Davies, Director of Senedd Business, Sian Wilkins, Head of Chamber and Committee Services and Julian Luke, Head of Policy and Legislation Committee Service.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'M. E. Morgan'.

Eluned Morgan AS/MS

Y Gweinidog Iechyd a Gwasanaethau Cymdeithasol
Minister for Health and Social Services