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**INFORMATION** 

Updates About the International Travellers in Entering Indonesia According to Circular Letter No. 1 Year 2022

The COVID-19 Response Acceleration Task Force has issued the revision of Circular Letter (SE) No. 1 Year 2022 concerning International Travel Health Protocol during the Corona Virus Disease Pandemic 2019 (COVID-19). This update regulation is to handle the spread of COVID-19 in Indonesia, especially in preventing and controlling the transmission of the new variant of COVID-19, SARS-CoV-2 B.1.1.529, known as Omicron. By the enactment of Circular Letter (SE) No. 1 Year 2022, it caused the Circular Letter (SE) No. 26 Year 2021 to be **revoked and declared invalid.** This regulation will be **effective from January 7**<sup>th</sup>, **2022.** 

According to this Circular Letter, there are several updates for Foreigners and Indonesian citizen international travelers who will be entering Indonesia need to be aware as follows:

- 1. Indonesian Citizens (WNI) who arrive from abroad are allowed to enter Indonesia by following the health protocol stipulated by the Government.
- 2. Temporarily entry ban for Foreigners (WNA) to enter Indonesia who has travel history or stay within 14 days in South Africa, Bostwana, Norway, France, Angola, Zambia, Zimbabwe, Malawi, Mozambique, Namibia, Eswatini, Lesotho, United Kingdom (UK), and Denmark.
- 3. The exception for Foreigners (WNA) who can enter Indonesia is as follow:
  - a. Foreigners (WNA) who do not have travel history or stay within 14 days from referred countries in point No. 2.
  - b. Foreigners (WNA) who hold Visa Services, Diplomatic Visa, Visit Visa, Limited Stay Visa, Official Stay Permit, Diplomatic Stay Permit, Limited Stay Permit, and Permanent Stay Permit as mentioned in the Minister of Law and Human Rights (Permenkumham) No. 34 Year 2021
  - c. According to the agreement (bilateral) scheme, such as Travel Corridor Arrangement (TCA) between the Indonesian Government and the United Arab Emirates, China, South Korea, and Singapore.
  - d. Foreigners (WNA) who have written permission from the Ministries or Government Institutions.
- 4. Foreigners and Indonesian citizen international travelers must comply with the following conditions/requirements:
  - a. Comply with the provisions of the health protocol set by the Government
  - b. Show the vaccination card or certificate (physical or digital) of the full dose of COVID-19 vaccine at least 14 (fourteen) days before departure as a requirement to enter Indonesia
  - c. The foreigner has not received the vaccine abroad, they will be vaccinated at the quarantine place upon arrival in Indonesia after the second RT-PCR examination with a negative result is carried out, with the following conditions:
    - i. Foreigners aged 12 17 years;
    - ii. Holders of diplomatic residence permits and official residence permits; and/or
    - iii. Holders of a limited stay permit card (KITAS) and a permanent residence permit card (KITAP).
- 5. The quarantine obligations period for the international travelers (WNI and WNA) who *come from other countries except 14 countries* are required to **conduct 7 days quarantine**. While, the quarantine obligations period for Indonesian Citizens (WNI) who *arrives in Indonesia from 14 countries* as referred to point No. 2 lasts are required to conduct **10 days quarantine**.
- 6. RT-PCR test obligation for all international travelers (WNI and WNA) is conducted twice: the first one is conducted upon arrival. Second PCR test is on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of quarantine for who are required 7 days of quarantine in total. Second PCR test is on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of quarantine for who are required 10 days of quarantine in total.
- 7. The exception to the quarantine obligations for Indonesian citizens (WNI) that can be given for urgent circumstances such as Life-threatening health conditions, Health conditions that require special attention, Grief due to the death of a family member.
- 8. The exception for Foreigners (WNA) that can enter Indonesia and exempt their quarantine obligations that can be given by applying the bubble system and following the strict health protocols are as follows:
  - a. Holds diplomatic and official or service visas.
  - b. Foreign officials and entourage who make state visits.
  - c. Delegation of G-20 member countries.
  - d. Travelers with a Travel Corridor Arrangement (TCA) scheme as referred to point No. 2. c.
  - e. An honorable person (including the former government officials) or distinguished person (including Nobel laureates, global religious figures, global community leaders, and global economic figures).
- 9. The dispensation to exempt the quarantine obligation for Foreigners (WNA) as referred to point No. 7 must be requested to COVID-19 Response Acceleration Task Force a minimal 7 days before their arrival. Meanwhile, the dispensation to exempt the quarantine obligation for Indonesian Citizens (WNI) as referred to point No. 6 must be requested to COVID-19 Response Acceleration Task Force minimal 3 days before their arrival.

In summary, there are two points highlighted:

## For Foreigners:

• WNA who enter to Indonesia except from 14 countries banned should conduct 7 days of quarantine. Before entering Indonesia, foreigners should conduct RT-PCR with maximal 3 x 24 hours before departure

## For Indonesia citizen:

Indonesian citizen are allowed to Indonesia from 14 countries banned by conducting:

- 10 days of quarantine
- RT-PCR with maximal 3 x 24 hours before departure

Furthermore, these regulation updates will be evaluated and adjusted by the Indonesian Government in responding to the development of the new variant of the Omicron virus.

For your reference, please check the complete regulation of the Circular Letter (SE) No. 1 Year 2022 in Bahasa Indonesia and English translation as attached.

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