Ordinance No 322

of the Government of Georgia

23 May 2020

Tbilisi

On the Approval of Isolation and Quarantine Rules

Article 1

The attached Isolation and Quarantine Rules shall be approved on the basis of Article 45^3(1) of the Law of Georgia on Public Health, Article 5(c) and Article 6(2)(c) of the Law of Georgia on Personal Data Protection, the Law of Georgia on Healthcare, the Law of Georgia on Social Assistance, the Law of Georgia on Public Procurement, Article 30 of the Law of Georgia on State Budget of Georgia of 2021 and Article 6 of the Law of Georgia on Structure, Powers and Rules of Operation of the Government of Georgia.

Ordinance No 122 of 23 March 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 23.3.2021

Article 2

Special regular transportation of passengers by M2 and M3 category motor vehicles agreed for the purpose of providing economic activities in accordance with Ordinance No 181 of 23 March 2020 of the Government of Georgia on the Approval of Measures to be Implemented in connection with the Prevention of the Spread of the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) in Georgia, shall be deemed permitted in accordance with the requirements of Article 2(6) of Isolation and Quarantine Rules approved by this Ordinance.

Article 3

Regulations provided for by Decree No 164 of 28 January 2020 of the Government of Georgia on the Approval of Measures to Prevent the Possible Spread of the Novel Coronavirus in Georgia and an Emergency Response Plan for the Cases of Novel Coronavirus Diseases, which do not contravene rules approved by this Ordinance, shall comprise an integral part of this Ordinance.

Article 3^1

The Tbilisi Municipality shall be asked to give consent to the persons specified in Article 11^2(1) of Isolation and Quarantine Rules approved by this Ordinance, in accordance with the procedure provided for by paragraph 2 of the same article.

Ordinance No 469 of 24 July 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 24.7.2020

Article 3^2

Regulations determined by Decree No 975 of the Government of Georgia of 15 June 2020 on the Approval of the List of Priority Persons Subject to Compulsory Testing for Infection (COVID-19) caused by the Coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2) and of Procedures for Conducting such Testing that do not contravene the procedures determined by this Ordinance, shall represent the part of this Ordinance and shall be binding. The matters related to the conduct of testing under paragraph 1(w) of Annex 1 of the above Decree, including the persons responsible for procession of personal data obtained as a result of testing and procedures for information procession shall be determined by the order of the Minister of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia.

Ordinance No 37 of 29 January 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 29.1.2021

Article 4

1. This Ordinance shall enter into force from 23 May 2020.

2. (Deleted – 10.7.2020, No 433).

Ordinance No 433 of 10 July 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 10.7.2020

Prime Minister **Giorgi Gakharia**

Isolation and Quarantine Rules

Chapter I – General Regulations

Article 1 – General provisions

1. The purpose of this Ordinance is to determine isolation and quarantine rules provided for by the Law of Georgia on Public Health for the prevention of the mass spread of the novel coronavirus (COVID-19), andto determine appropriate measures to minimise the possible threat to the life and health of the country's population and to manage the epidemiological situation.

2. (Deleted – 3.12.2020, No 725).

Ordinance No 566 of 9 September 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 9.9.2020

Ordinance No 725 of 3 December 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 3.12.2020

Article 2 – Regulation of movement

1. International land and maritime movement shall be suspended.

2. (Deleted – 29.1.2021, No40).

2^1. (Deleted – 29.1.2021, No40).

2^2. (Deleted – 29.1.2021, No40).

3. (Deleted – 29.1.2021, No40).

4. The restriction provided for by paragraph 1 of this article shall not apply to a seaborne facility of the military-marine unit under the operational subordination of the Allied Maritime Command (MARCOM) of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO)and under the flag thereof, and/or to the entry of a seaborne facility into the territorial waters and open harbours of Georgia for navigational purposes.

5. (Deleted – 15.7.2020, No 440).

6. (Deleted – 28. 5.2020, No 337).

6^1. In order for the population to remain at their places of residence, the movement of people on foot and by a vehicle, as well as their presence at public places, shall be prohibited throughout the entire territory of the country from 21:00 to 05:00.

6^2. The restriction determined by paragraph 6^1 of this article shall not apply to:

a) international cargo transportation and local cargo transportation;

b) persons/vehicles included in the list agreed with the Operations Headquarters by public institutions and persons engaged in economic activities allowed by this Ordinance, whose movement is crucial for the performance of their official duties;

c) journalists, representatives of the press and other mass media, the listof which is agreed with the Operations Headquarters;

d) persons/vehicles agreed with the Operations Headquarters due to special and/or unforeseen circumstances.

e) for the period from 21:00 on 31 December 2020 to 05:00 on 1 January 2021 and for the period from 21:00 on 6 January 2021 to 05:00 on 7 January 2021.

6^3. Article 1(2) of these Rules shall not apply to the quarantine measure determined by paragraph 6^1 of this article.

7. While providing transportation services by taxi (M1 category), a driver and passengers shall be equipped with a face mask.

7^1. (Deleted – 24.2.2021, No 73).

8. (Deleted – 20.11.2020, No 697).

8^1. Procedures for the epidemiological control and quarantine rules during the movement of sailors in Georgia shall be approved by the Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia in order to prevent the spread of the novel coronavirus.

8^2. (Deleted – 20.11.2020, No 697).

9.For the purpose of preventing the possible spread of the novel coronavirus (COVID-19), the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Georgia shall process information on the placement of passengers arriving in Georgia from foreign countries; in particular, the Ministry shall collect information on flight numbers, data on motor vehicles, co-passengers, contact details and the date of leaving the infected area, and shall share such information with the Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia and the LEPL Revenue Service operating within the system of the Ministry of Finance of Georgia and the LEPL Georgian National Tourism Administration for the purpose of exercising powers for the prevention of the disease. Covid and quarantine hotels shall have the right to access and process the indicated information on the basis of the agreements signed with the LEPL Georgian National Tourism Administration.

Ordinance No 337 of 28 May 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 28.5.2020

Ordinance No 341 of 29 May 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 29.5.2020

Ordinance No 345 of 2 June 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 2.6.2020

Ordinance No 350 of 4 June 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 4.6.2020

Ordinance No 355 of 8 June 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 8.6.2020

Ordinance No 375 of 19 June 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 19.6.2020

Ordinance No 433 of 10 July 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 10.7.2020

Ordinance No 440 of 15 July 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 15.7.2020

Ordinance No 585 of 17 September 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 17.9.2020

Ordinance No 634 of 19 October 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 19.10.2020

Ordinance No 670 of 9 November 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 9.11.2020

Ordinance No 674 of 10 November 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 10.11.2020

Ordinance No 685 of 19 November 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 19.11.2020

Ordinance No 693 of 20 November 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 20.11.2020

Ordinance No 697 of 20 November 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 20.11.2020

Ordinance No 699 of 26 November 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 27.11.2020

Ordinance No 812 of 30 December 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 30.12.2020

Ordinance No 32 of 28 January 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 28.01.2021

Ordinance No 40 of 29 January 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 30.1.2021

Ordinance No 49 of 4 February 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 4.2.2021

Ordinance No 61 of 9 February 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 9.2.2021

Ordinance No 73 of 24 February 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 24.2.2021

Ordinance No 122 of 23 March 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 23.3.2021

Article 3 – Regulation of the educational process

1. Providers of early education services and/or pre-school education services, and/or of school readiness programmes and the other educational institutions shall carry out study process in accordance with the order of the Minister of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia on the Approval of Recommendations for the Prevention of the Spread of the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) at Workplaces.

2. The institutions provided for by paragraph one of this article may carry out education/study process only on the basis of a positive opinion issued on the compliance at workplaces with the recommendations of the Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia as a result of the inspection conducted by the legal entity under public Law called the Labour Conditions Inspection Service under the state control of the Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia (the Labour Inspection Service), directly or with the assistance of the agencies determined by Article 9(2) and (3) of this Ordinance.

3. Educational institutions shall be authorised, in order to perform its activities remotely in electronic form, to carry out the activities of the collegiate bodies of the educational institution (including the Board of Trustees, the Academic Council, the Board of Representatives, the Faculty Council, students'/pupils' self-government, the Dissertation Council, etc.) remotely, according to the procedures for administrative proceedings established by the legislation of Georgia (determining a quorum to make decisions, casting votes, drawing up minutes, etc.).

4. An educational institution shall be authorised to transfer all the persons employed at the educational institution to a remote working regime, if necessary, except if the presence/appearance on the territory of the educational institution of a person holding a certain position is related to the specificity of that position. Those persons shall carry out their activities in accordance with the order of the Minister of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia 'On the Approval of Recommendations for the Prevention of the Spread of the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) at Workplaces'

5. Trainings, conferences, seminars may be held only in accordance with the order of the Minister of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia 'On the Approval of Recommendations for the Prevention of the Spread of the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) at Workplaces'

6. For the purpose of fulfilling the obligations related to compulsory testing under paragraph 1(w.b) of Annex 1 of Decree No 975 of the Government of Georgia of 15 June 2020 on the Approval of the List of Priority Persons Subject to Compulsory Testing for Infection (COVID-19) caused by the Corona Virus (SARS-CoV-2) and of Procedures for Conducting such Testing, and their monitoring, general educational institutions are obliged to provide to the Labour Conditions Inspection Service, with personal data of persons operating in their premises, in particular, the name, surname and the personal number of such persons; they shall be also authorised to process information on the date of compulsory testing of persons operating in their premises for the infection (COVID-19) caused by the Coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2) (without the results of testing and other information related to the health status). General educational institutions are authorised to keep the information provided for in this paragraph until a new test is performed for the person operating in their premises, however, they are obliged to immediately delete / destroy the information

about the previous testing.

Ordinance No 367 of 15 June 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 15.6.2020

Ordinance No 377 of 22 June 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 22.6.2020

Ordinance No 393 of 30 June 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 30.6.2020

Ordinance No 410 of 3 July 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 3.7.2020

Ordinance No 413 of 6 July 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 6.7.2020

Ordinance No 546 of 31 August 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 31.8.2020

Ordinance No 578 of 16 September 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 16.9.2020

Ordinance No 670 of 9 November 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 9.11.2020

Ordinance No 699 of 26 November 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 27.11.2020

Ordinance No 8 of 13 January 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 13.1.2021

Ordinance No 20 of 21 January 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 21.1.2021

Ordinance No 37 of 29 January 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 29.1.2021

Ordinance No 49 of 4 February 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 4.2.2021

Ordinance No 78 of 26 February 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 26.2.2021

Article 4 – Restriction of cultural and sports events

1. Activities of museums and libraries shall be allowed in accordance with the order of the Minister of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia 'On the Approval of Recommendations for the Prevention of the Spread of the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) at Workplaces'.

2. Rehearsal activities of performing / artistic creative groups without spectators shall be allowed in accordance with the order of the Minister of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia 'On the Approval of Recommendations for the Prevention of the Spread of the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) at Workplaces'.

3. Trainings / exercises of sports teams shall be allowed without spectators, in accordance with the order of the Minister of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia 'On the Approval of Recommendations for the Prevention of the Spread of the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) at Workplaces'.

4. The activities of sports, art and cultural groups / studios shall be allowed in accordance with the order of the Minister of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia 'On the Approval of Recommendations for the Prevention of the Spread of the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) at Workplaces'.

5. It shall be allowed to hold a sports event under the auspices of the relevant international and / or national sports federation without spectators.

[6. Attendance of spectators at any type of sports, art and cultural event shall be allowed. ***(Shall enter into force from 1 April 2021)***]

7. The restriction imposed by paragraph 5 of this article shall not apply to the 2021 Judo Grand Slam Tournament to be held in Tbilisi from 26 to 28 March 2021, and the qualifying football match of the 2022 World Cup in Tbilisi on 28 March 2021 (between the national teams of Georgia and Spain) and in addition, the attendance of 30% of spectators shall be allowed to these events, in compliance with the relevant epidemiological safety standards.

Ordinance No 367 of 15 June 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 15.6.2020

Ordinance No 374 of 18 June 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 18.6.2020

Ordinance No 377 of 22 June 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 22.6.2020

Ordinance No 437 of 10 July 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 10.7.2020

Ordinance No 439 of 15 July 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 15.7.2020

Ordinance No 456 of 22 July 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 23.7.2020

Ordinance No 566 of 9 September 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 9.9.2020

Ordinance No 579 of 16 September 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 16.9.2020

Ordinance No 657 of 30 October 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 31.10.2020

Ordinance No 699 of 26 November 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 27.11.2020

Ordinance No 78 of 26 February 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 26.2.2021

Ordinance No 109 of 18 March 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 18.3.2021

Ordinance No 119 of 19 March 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 19.3.2021

Article 5 –Regulation of assemblies

1. An assembly of more than 10 natural persons shall be restricted where such assembly is related to social events (e.g. wedding parties, any kind of anniversaries, funeral repasts, etc.).

1^1. (Deleted – 9.9.2020, No 566).

2. When assembling in a public space, all persons are obliged to wear face masks. For the purposes of this article, a public space shall be any indoor or outdoor area, unless it is a space used by individuals for residential purposes. Cases of exemption from wearing a face mask shall be determined by Ordinance N 368 of the Government of Georgia of 15 June 2020 On the Approval of the Rule of Wearing a Face Mask.

3. The obligation referred to in paragraph 2 of this article shall not apply to the assembly of persons in medical institutions, public institutions, defence forces, special penitentiary institutions, and law enforcement bodies where functions assigned to them are being carried out.

4. The enforcement of restrictions referred to in this article shall be controlled by the respective units of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Georgia, the Ministry of Finance of Georgia, the Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia, and the Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture of Georgia. Municipalities mayalso be requested to participate in enforcement.

Ordinance No 450 of 20 July 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 20.7.2020

Ordinance No 566 of 9 September 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 9.9.2020

Ordinance No 122 of 23 March 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 23.3.2021

Article 5^1 –Regulation of assemblies

Holding a founding convention (congress, assembly, conference, etc.) of party members as provided for by the Organic Law of

Georgia on Political Associations of Citizens, or a similar type of party meetings in an open and / or closed public space shall be permitted only if the recommendations given by the Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia are complied with.

Ordinance No 725 of 3 December 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 3.12.2020

Article 6 – Regulation of economic activities

1. All types of economic activities shall be permitted, except for:

a) (deleted – 24.02.2021, No 73);

b) organising / conducting activities of entertainment institutions and entertainment events;

[b) (deleted – 18.3.2021, N109); ***(shall enter into force from 1 April 2021)***]

c) (deleted – 26.2.2021, No78);

d) saunas and other spa treatments.

[d) (deleted – 23.3.2021, N 122); ***(shall enter into force from 1 April 2021)***]

1^1. (Deleted – 26.11.2020, No 699).

1^2. Activities of entities carrying out sports-recreational procedure / activity, and those of open / closed type swimming pools shall be allowed only on the basis of the inspection conducted directly by the Labor Conditions Inspection Service or with the help of the agencies defined in paragraphs 2 and 3 of Article 9 of this Rule, on the basis of a positive conclusion issued on the implementation of the recommendations given by the Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia

2. (Deleted – 28.5.2020, No 337).

2^1. It shall be permissible to operate restaurants / bars / cafes, gyms and swimming pools in hotels and similar accommodation only to serve guests of the hotel and similar accommodation until 21:00 p.m, and from 21:00 the rendering of services in the rooms of hotel or similar accommodation shall be permitted.

3. (Deleted – 28.5.2020, No 337).

3^1. (Deleted – 18.3.2021, No 109).

3^2. For the purpose of carrying out activities permitted under this Ordinance in Tbilisi, Batumi, Kutaisi, Rustavi, Gori, Zugdidi, Poti, Telavi, the Labour Conditions Inspection Service shall issue a positive or negative opinion on the carrying out of activities, if for the carrying out such activities the compulsory testing of persons carrying out activities is requested in accordance with paragraph 1(w) of Annex 1 approved by Decree No 975 of the Government of Georgia of 15 June 2020 on the Approval of the List of Priority Persons Subject to Compulsory Testing for Infection (COVID-19) caused by the Coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2) and of Procedures for Conducting such Testing, under procedures provided for by the same Ordinance.

4. (deleted – 28.5.2020, No 337).

4^1. Except as provided for by paragraph 4^2 of this article, the operation of food facilities / restaurants / bars / cafes at week-ends shall be allowed only with delivery service (the so-called 'delivery' service') and product take away (the so-called 'Take Away' and 'Drive'), and the operation of food facilities / restaurants / bars / cafes in shopping malls shall be allowed at week-ends only with delivery service (the so-called 'delivery' service').

4^2. From 1 March 2021 in Adjara region, and from 8 March 2021 on entire territory of the country, the operation of food facilities / restaurants / bars / cafes shall be allowed in the form of hosting guests in the open and closed space, except for the social events provided for by Article 5 (1) and except at week-ends. When hosting guests in the closed space, the recommendations of the Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia shall be

observed.

4^3. From 19 March 2021 live music shall be allowed in restaurants / bars / cafes, subject to the regulations established for the same establishments.

5. (Deleted – 28.5.2020, No 337).

5^1. Open and closed markets / market activities shall be carried out only with strict abidance by the epidemiological rules.

6. Providing gambling services and prize winning games shall be permitted from 1 March 2021 in Adjara region, and from 1 April 2021 – on the entire territory of the country. The said restriction shall not apply to promotional draws.

7. The activities of hotels and similar accommodation facilities shall be permitted only:

a) for the purpose of arranging quarantine areas;

b) on the basis of the positive opinion with regard to the compliance with the recommendations of the Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia as a result of inspection carried out by the Labour Conditions Inspection Service under the Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia directly, or with the assistance of the state agencies provided for by Article 9(2) and (3) of this Ordinance.

7^1. (Deleted – 24.2.2021, No 73).

8. All economic activities shall be performed taking into account the specificity of a facility, keeping at least two metres of social distance and using face masks (except for the institutions determined by Article 3(1), where the social distanceto be kept under this paragraph shall be at least 1 metre), in accordance with the Order of the Minister of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia on the Approval of Recommendations to Prevent the Spread of the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) at Workplaces.

9. In the case of violation of procedures determined by Decree No 975 of the Government of Georgia of 15 June 2020 on the Approval of the List of Priority Persons Subject to Compulsory Testing for Infection (COVID-19) Caused by the Coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2) and of Procedures for Conducting such Testing, and/or critical non-compliance with the requirements of the order of the Minister of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia on the Approval of Recommendations to Prevent the Spread of the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) at Workplaces is detected, the Labour Conditions Inspection Service shall be authorised to suspend such economic activities.

9^1. For the purpose of fulfilling the obligations related to compulsory testing under paragraph 1(w.a) of Annex 1 of Decree No 975 of the Government of Georgia of 15 June 2020 on the Approval of the List of Priority Persons Subject to Compulsory Testing for Infection (COVID-19) caused by the Corona Virus (SARS-CoV-2) and of Procedures for Conducting such Testing, and their monitoring, persons determined by the same paragraph, are obliged to provide to the Labour Conditions Inspection Service, with personal data of persons operating in their premises, in particular, the name, surname and the personal number of such persons; they shall be also authorised to process information on the date of compulsory testing of persons operating in their premises for the infection (COVID-19) caused by the Coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2) (without the results of testing and other information related to the health status).

Note: persons are authorised to keep the information provided for in this paragraph until a new test is performed for the person operating in their premises, however, they are obliged to immediately delete / destroy the information about the previous testing.

10. If the grounds for the suspension of economic activities are eliminated, namely if an epidemiological investigation is completed and/or the violations are remedied, the economic activities shall be resumed on the basis of an appropriate application, in accordance with the procedures established by Order No 01-56/ნ of 6 June 2020 of the Minister of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia.

11. The Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia, the Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia and the Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture of Georgia, in agreement with the Operations Headquarters, shall determine by a joint order those entrepreneurial entities and / or activities, on which Ordinance No 698 of 26 November 2020 of the Government of Georgia on Determining Days Off shall not apply, and the continuous functioning of which is important for the management of the epidemiological situation, the exercise of state power and the normal functioning of society.

12. Ordinance No 698 of the Government of Georgia of 26 November 2020 on Determining Days Off shall not apply to persons supervised by the National Bank (except for accountable enterprises) and the financial liabilities to be fulfilled by/before them.

13. The restrictions imposed by paragraph 1(a) and paragraph 7^1 of this article shall not apply to the operation of the ski slopes and ski lifts in Bakuriani borough of Borjomi municipality and the activities of the respective hotels from 20 February 2021 to 6 March 2021, which shall provide the relevant services within the above-mentioned period in connection with the Ski and Snowboard Cross World Cup to be held in Bakuriani borough, Borjomi Municipality.

13. (Deleted – 24.2.2021, No 73).

14. The operation of the ski slopes and ski lifts in Bakuriani borough, Borjomi Municipality, provided for by paragraph 13 of this article, and the activities of the respective hotels shall be allowed only for holding the Ski and Snowboard Cross World Cup stage races and for its participant / participating teams.

14. (Deleted – 24.2.2021, No 73).

Ordinance No 337 of 28 May 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 28.5.2020

Ordinance No 345 of 2 June 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 2.6.2020

Ordinance No 374 of 18 June 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 18.6.2020

Ordinance No 410 of 3 July 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 3.7.2020

Ordinance No 414 of 6 July 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 6.7.2020

Ordinance No 437 of 10 July 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 10.7.2020

Ordinance No 439 of 15 July 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 15.7.2020

Ordinance No 456 of 22 July 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 23.7.2020

Ordinance No 515 of 19 August 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 19.8.2020

Ordinance No 537 of 27 August 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 27.8.2020

Ordinance No 546 of 31 August 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 31.8.2020

Ordinance No 566 of 9 September 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 9.9.2020

Ordinance No 579 of 16 September 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 16.9.2020

Ordinance No 584 of 17 September 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 18.9.2020

Ordinance No 657 of 30 October 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 31.10.2020

Ordinance No 659 of 3 November 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 3.11.2020

Ordinance No 670 of 9 November 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 9.11.2020

Ordinance No 674 of 10 November 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 10.11.2020

Ordinance No 699 of 26 November 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 27.11.2020

Ordinance No 783 of 23 December 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 23.12.2020

Ordinance No 812 of 30 December 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 30.12.2020

Ordinance No 20 of 21 January 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 21.1.2021

Ordinance No 32 of 28 January 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 28.01.2021

Ordinance No 37 of 29 January 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 29.1.2021

Ordinance No 38 of 29 January 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 29.1.2021

Ordinance No 49 of 4 February 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 4.2.2021

Ordinance No 63 of 16 February 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 16.2.2021

Ordinance No 64 of 17 February 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 17.2.2021

Ordinance No 73 of 24 February 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 24.2.2021

Ordinance No 78 of 26 February 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 26.2.2021

Ordinance No 109 of 18 March 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 18.3.2021

Ordinance No 119 of 19 March 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 19.3.2021

Ordinance No 122 of 23 March 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 23.3.2021

Article 7 – Temporary rules for activities and administration of public institutions and for the provision of public services

1. The Minister of Justice of Georgia shall be authorised to:

a) determine rules and conditions other than those established by legislation for administering the activities of the Special Penitentiary Service, legal entities under public law operating in the system of the Ministry of Justice of Georgia, andof notaries and private bailiffs, as well as for providing services to persons by these entities;

b) regulate the obligation to observe the regime established by law for probationers and parolees, as well as the appearance at a time and place determined by a probation officer in accordance with rules other than those established by legislation.

2. The Minister of Internal Affairs of Georgia shall be authorised to:

a) establish rules other than those provided for by legislation of Georgia regarding the provision of certain services in the system o the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Georgia;

b) establish rules other than those provided for by legislation in the field of combating illegal migration;

c) establish rules other than those provided forby legislation for international defence procedures.

3. Public institutions, natural persons and legal persons shall be granted powers to use electronic documents and/or electronic signatures made in accordance with conditions different from those provided for by the Law of Georgia on Electronic Documents and Electronic Trust Services.

4. Public institutions shall provide services remotely to persons, except for services that are impossible to provide remotely or are related to an urgent need.

5. Public institutions shall provide transfer of employees in a remote mode, except when it is necessary to be physically present / announced in the service by a person with specific position / official.

6. A public institution shall determine the services / employees subordinated to it, to which Ordinance No 698 of 26 November 2020 of the Government of Georgia on Determining Days Off shall not apply, if the fulfillment of their functions is an urgent necessity for the management of the epidemiological situation, the exercise of state power and the normal functioning of society.

7. Ordinance No 698 of 26 November 2020 of the Government of Georgia on Determining Days Off shall not apply to activities related to public procurement under the Law of Georgia on Public Procurement, including those related to procurement under Article 3 (1) (a.h) of the same law, and the activities of the Dispute Resolution Board for considering disputes related to public

procurement.

Ordinance No 345 of 2 June 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 2.6.2020

Ordinance No 699 of 26 November 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 27.11.2020

Ordinance No 812 of 30 December 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 30.12.2020

Article 8 – Operations Headquarters

1. The head of the Operations Headquarters shall be appointed by the Prime Minister.

2. The head of the Operations Headquarters shall be selected from deputy permanent members of the National Security Council, or by the Prime Minister of Georgia.

3. The rules of operation of the Operations Headquarters shall be determined by a legal act of the Prime Minister of Georgia.

4. The Operations Headquarters shall be authorised to create crisis centres under its jurisdiction.

5. The Office of the National Security Council shall be instructed to provide administrative, legal and logistical support to the activities of the Operations Headquarters, among them, to conclude a gratuitous loan agreement for the relevant immovable property in order to allocate the work area required for the activities of the Operations Headquarters, to ensure the maintenance of the mentioned area (cleaning, utility bills and communication expenses) and to provide food and communication means for the persons operating in the Operations Headquarters.

Ordinance No 718 of 30 November 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 30.11.2020

Ordinance No 83 of 5 March 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 5.3.2020

Article 9 –Agencies responsible for the enforcement of the Ordinance and their powers

1. The enforcement of this Ordinance shall be under the responsibility of respective units of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Georgia, the Ministry of Finance of Georgia, the Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia, and the Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture of Georgia and the LEPL Georgian National Tourism Administration. Municipalities may also be requested to participate in enforcement.

2. The monitoring of the fulfilment of recommendations on workplaces given by the Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia in relation to entities engaged in economic activities or entrepreneurial entities (except for medical institutions) shall be carried out by the Labour Conditions Inspection Service under the Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia directly and/or through the following supervision/government agencies for the purposes of this Ordinance:

a) the LEPL Social Service Agency, subject to the state control of the Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia;

b) the LEPL National Food Agency, subject to the state control of the Ministry of Environmental Protection and Agriculture of Georgia;

c) the LEPL Technical and Construction Supervision Agency, under the Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia;

d) the LEPL Revenue Service under the governance of the Ministry of Finance of Georgia.

2^1. The monitoring of complying with procedures for testing of persons determined by paragraph 1(w) of Annex 1 of Decree No 975 of the Government of Georgia of 15 June 2020 on the Approval of the List of Priority Persons Subject to Compulsory Testing for Infection (COVID-19) Caused by the Corona Virus (SARS-CoV-2) and of Procedures for Conducting such Testing, shall be

carried out by the Labour Conditions Inspection Service that, for the purpose of issuing an opinion on the carrying out of activities by such persons as permitted by this Ordinance, shall be authorised to:

a) obtain information from persons determined by paragraph 1(w) of Annex 1 of Decree No 975 of the Government of Georgia of 15 June 2020 on the Approval of the List of Priority Persons Subject to Compulsory Testing for Infection (COVID-19) Caused by the Corona Virus (SARS-CoV-2) and of Procedures for Conducting such Testing on persons carrying out activities in relevant facilities, in particular the name, surname and personal number. The Labour Conditions Inspection Service shall be authorised to keep the information provided for by this paragraph for the term of validity of obligations determined by paragraph 1(w) of Annex 1 of Decree No 975 of the Government of Georgia of 15 June 2020 on the Approval of the List of Priority Persons Subject to Compulsory Testing for Infection (COVID-19) Caused by the Corona Virus (SARS-CoV-2) and of Procedures for Conducting such Testing, and after the expiry of validity of such obligations, the Labour Conditions Inspection Department shall ensure immediate deletion/destruction of such information;

b) obtain information from LEPL L. Sakvarelidze National Center for Disease Control and Public Health on the date of testing for the infection (COVID-19) caused by the Coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2) of persons determined by paragraph 1(w) of Annex 1 of Decree No 975 of the Government of Georgia of 15 June 2020 on the Approval of the List of Priority Persons Subject to Compulsory Testing for Infection (COVID-19) Caused by the Corona Virus (SARS-CoV-2) and of Procedures for Conducting such Testing and their personnel (without the testing results and other information related to the health status). The Labour Conditions Inspection Service is obliged to keep the information provided for in this paragraph until a new test is performed for the person operating in their premises, however, they are obliged to immediately delete / destroy the information about the previous testing;

c) use for the purpose provided for by this paragraph, the special electronic portal of the Labour Conditions Inspection Service www.labour.moh.gov.ge.

3. For the purpose of exercising the powers provided for by paragraph 2 of this article, the municipalities of self-governing cities and supervision services of municipalities, and in the case of the municipality of the City of Tbilisi - Government Supervision Services of Tbilisi municipality, shall be requested to assist the Labour Conditions Inspection Service.

4. The Labour Conditions Inspection Service, as the main controller of the safety of workplaces, employees, employers and other persons in the working area, shall be granted the right, on the basis of paragraph 1 of this article, directly or through the agencies provided for by paragraph 2 of this article, to control compliance with the recommendations developed by the Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia throughout the whole territory of Georgia for the purpose of preventing the spread of the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) at workplaces. The activities and powers of the Labour Conditions Inspection Service and agencies referred to in paragraph 2 of this article shall be determined by the Order of the Minister of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia on the Approval of the Rule and Procedures for Carrying out the Monitoring and Control of Compliance with the Recommendations Developed by the Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia, for the purposes of preventing the spread of infection (COVID-19) caused by the Novel Coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2) at workplaces.

4^1. In order to raise awareness of the employers and employees about the compliance with the recommendations of the Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia, the Labour Conditions Inspection Service shall directly, and/or with the assistance of the supervision/state agencies, be authorised to carry out appropriate educational/information measures.

5. The LEPL Office of Resource Officers of Educational Institutions operating under the governance of the Ministry of Education, Science, Culture and Sports of Georgia, within the framework of existing resources, shall assist the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Georgia regarding the detection of cases of violation of quarantine rules by persons placed in quarantine areas allocated by the State, through controlling the outer perimeter of quarantine areas.

6. In coordination with certain agencies and international partners, the Office of the State Minister of Georgia for Reconciliation and Civic Equality shall provide information on the carrying out of emergency measures for preventing the possible spread of the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) to the population living in the occupied territories of Georgia and to ethnic minority groups compactly settled in the territory controlled by Georgia, in an understandable language and through available means of communication. Moreover, in close coordination with the above-mentioned agencies and organisations, the Office of the State Minister of Georgia for Reconciliation and Civic Equality shall support the health care efforts.

7. (Deleted – 26.3.2021, No140).

8. (Deleted – 26.3.2021, No140).

Ordinance No 468 of 24 July 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 24.7.2020

Ordinance No 515 of 19 August 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 19.8.2020

Ordinance No 20 of 21 January 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 21.1.2021

Ordinance No 37 of 29 January 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 29.1.2021

Ordinance No 55 of 5 February 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 5.2.2021

Ordinance No 61 of 9 February 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 9.2.2021

Ordinance No 140 of 26 March 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 29.3.2021

Chapter II – Isolation and Quarantine Rules to be Applied in Relation to Natural Persons

Article 10 – General provisions

1.This Chapter regulates matters and conditions related to isolation and quarantine for the purposes of providing epidemiological control, response to and readiness against the infection (COVID-19) (epidemics, pandemic, epidemic outbreak) caused by the novel coronavirus and shall apply to all persons in the territory of Georgia.

2. For the purpose of epidemiological control, all persons are obliged to:

a) not perform activities which create the risk of spreading contagious diseases and cause or increase health risks;

b) immediately provide information on circumstances necessary to assess the risks of spreading the disease;

c) undergo all medical procedures to prevent exposing other people to healthrisks, upon the request of competent authorities, if there is a threat of developing and spreading contagious diseases;

d) terminate activities if they pose a threat to public health;

e) comply with isolation and quarantine measures in accordance with the requirements of this Chapter;

f) comply with sanitary and epidemiological standards.

Article 11 – Rules for placing natural persons in isolation or quarantine

1. For the purposes of this Chapter, isolation shall be imposed on persons suspected of being infected with coronavirus or being at high risk of coronavirus, in order to prevent the risk of spreading the coronavirus.

2. For the purposes of this Chapter, isolation may take place in a quarantine area (quarantine) allocated by the State or in anarea provided by the person himself/herself (self-isolation).

3. Isolation measures shall be applied in relation to natural persons, groups of natural persons, residential houses/blocks of flats, medical institutions, shelters and population clusters/settlements/municipalities.

4. Every natural person having been in contact with a coronavirus case, as well as persons having moved from the occupied territories of Georgia shall be subject to isolation for a period of 12 days, except for the exceptions specified in Decree No 164 of 28 January 2020 of the Government of Georgia on the Approval of Measures to Prevent the Possible Spread of the Novel Coronavirus in Georgia and an Emergency Response Plan for the Cases of Novel Coronavirus Diseases. Persons arriving from the occupied territory of Georgia shall be subject to 5 days of compulsory quarantine, and shall leave the compulsory quarantine in the case negative result of the test.

4 . Persons arriving from a foreign country shall be subject to isolation (self-isolation / quarantine) according to the following procedures:

a) any person arriving from a foreign country (regardless of citizenship) shall not be subject to the restrictions set forth in this Ordinance if he / she submits a document certifying the full course (two doses, and in the case of Johnson&Johnson vaccination – single dose) of any type of covidvaccine at the border;

b) any person arriving from a foreign country:

b.a) in case of a negative result of PCR test in the last 72 hours before the visit to Georgia, if desired, will be subject to 8-day self-isolation (in case of impossibility of self-isolation - quarantine) or mandatory PCR testing on the 3rd day at own expense;

b.b) in case of absence of PCR test in the last 72 hours before the visit to Georgia – shall be subject to 8-day mandatory self-isolation (in case of impossibility of self-isolation - transfer to quarantine space);

c) persons arriving from a foreign country, who do not belong to persons referred to in sub-paragraph "b" of this paragraph and Article 11^5 of this Ordinance, shall present a document confirming the PCR examination conducted within the last 72 hours at the border checkpoints and ensure PCR examination at their own expense on the 3rd day after crossing the border.

d) persons who have traveled to the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland for the last 14 days shall be subject to the transfer into a quarantine area for 12 days.

4^2. Persons placed in quarantine under paragraph 4^1 of this article shall be subject to a PCR test according to the procedure established by Decree No 975 of 15 June 2020 of the Government of Georgia on Approval of the Priority List of Persons Subject to the Mandatory Testing for the Infection (COVID-19) Caused by Coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2) and the Procedure for Conducting such Test. The above process shall be administered via an electronic platform (software), in which:

a) the data of the persons subject to testing in quarantine shall be identified according to the quarantine areas;

b) the data of the persons who have undergone testing in quarantine shall be processed in order for them to leave the quarantine areas.

4^3. The process determined by paragraph 4^2 of this article shall be monitored by the relevant bodies of the Ministry of Internally Displaced from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia and the LEPL Georgian National Tourism Administration.

4^4. For the purpose of placement in quadrant areas, the registration and monitoring of persons specified in Article 11^4 of this Rule shall be carried out by the LEPL Georgian National Tourism Administration through the electronic platform (software) specified in Article 11 (4^2) of the same Rule - registration.gov.ge. Relevant covid and quarantine hotels shall also have the authority to record and access information within the circle of persons accommodated in their hotel.

5. (Deleted – 26.3.2021, No132).

5^1. (Deleted – 26.3.2021, No132).

6. Persons who are contacts shall be identified by the authorised persons (epidemiologists) of public health care services (the relevant services of LEPL L. Sakvarelidze National Center for Disease Control and Public Health; municipal public health centres), who make decisions to place such persons in isolation.

7. In the cases determined by paragraph 4^1 of this article, a person shall complete a special application form via an electronic application available on the website www.stopcov.ge., data processing of persons in isolation (self-isolation, quarantine) and process management may be carried out through an electronic platform (software) specified in paragraph 4^2 of this article.

7^1. (Deleted – 21.10.2020, No 637).

7^2. During isolation the testing of a person shall be regulated by Decree No 975 of 15 June 2020 of the Government of Georgia on Approval of the Priority List of Persons Subject to the Mandatory Testing for the Infection (COVID-19) Caused by Coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2) and the Procedure for Conducting such Test.

8. Relevant persons shall be transferred to quarantine areas by the LEPL Emergency Situations Coordination and Urgent

Assistance Center and the LEPL Georgian National Tourism Administration (if necessary, with the escort of the relevant service of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Georgia), within their competence. The LEPL Emergency Situations Coordination and Urgent Assistance Center shall transfer persons only within Adjara region, and other persons within the rest of the territory of Georgia shall be transferred by the LEPL Georgian National Tourism Department.

9.Before being placed in isolation (quarantine, self-isolation), a natural person shall sign the information form (Annex No 3).If the person refuses to sign the form, a respective note thereon shall be made and signed by an authorised person.

10. Before being placed in isolation, the person shall be provided with an explanation/appropriate information about his/her rights and duties that he/she is to comply with while in isolation and/or quarantine.

11. The period of isolation of the persons who have been in contact with the confirmed cases shall be determined by the authorised person(s) of the public healthcare services. If a person is transferred from quarantine to self-isolation, or from self-isolation to quarantine, the number of days spent in self-isolation/quarantine shall be deducted from self-isolation/quarantine days.

12. Decisions to place natural persons in isolation (quarantine, self–isolation) shall be made by a relevant authorised service (LEPL Revenue Service, LEPL L. Sakvarelidze National Center for Disease Control and Public Health, LEPL Emergency Situations Coordination and Urgent Assistance Center) in writing or orally. A person shall be placed in isolation for a period of 14 days.

13. A decision shall specify the date and the period of placing a person in isolation.

14. The completion of the form developed by the LEPL L. Sakvarelidze National Centre for Disease Control and Public Health or the LEPL Emergency Situation Coordination and Urgent Assistance Center (which may be in material or electronic form) shall be deemed a decision for the purposes of paragraph 13 of this article.

15. The issuance of an act under paragraph 13 of this article shall not be required where quarantine is announced with respect to a particular territory (municipality, settlement).

16. The relevant units of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Georgia shall ensure the enforcement of decisions to place a person in isolation.

17. Within the scope of its competence, the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Georgia shall be authorised to control the fulfilment of conditions of isolation by persons placed in isolation (self-isolation, quarantine) provided that there are relevant facts and/or information. Such control shall involve, inter alia, control over whether a person concerned is physically in place, by making periodic telephone calls and by other means explicitly provided for by the legislation of Georgia.

Ordinance No 344 of 1 June 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 1.6.2020

Ordinance No 378 of 22 June 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 22.6.2020

Ordinance No 495 of 12 August 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 12.8.2020

Ordinance No 545 of 27 August 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 27.8.2020

Ordinance No 577 of 14 September 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 14.9.2020

Ordinance No 607 of 1 October 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 1.10.2020

Ordinance No 616 of 7 October 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 7.10.2020

Ordinance No 622 of 8 October 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 8.10.2020

Ordinance No 637 of 21 October 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 21.10.2020

Ordinance No 697 of 20 November 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 20.11.2020

Ordinance No 719 of 2 December 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 2.12.2020

Ordinance No 770 of 21 December 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 21.12.2020

Ordinance No 40 of 29 January 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 30.1.2021

Ordinance No 61 of 9 February 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 9.2.2021

Ordinance No 65 of 17 February 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 17.2.2021

Ordinance No 108 of 17 March 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 17.3.2021

Ordinance No 132 of 26 March 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 26.3.2021

Article 11^1– Measures to be taken in relation to members of delegation being on the official visit in Georgia, as well as to members of the governmental and presidential delegations of Georgia

1. When entering Georgia the following persons shall not be subject to isolation/quarantine:

a) members of official delegations of foreign countries/international organisations arriving in Georgia on an official visit;

b) members of the governmental and presidential delegations of Georgia on their return from an official visit to a foreign country.

2. Persons specified in paragraph 1(a) of this article shall submit to the border checkpoints a document certifying the PCR test conducted within the last 72 hours prior to the official visit, and persons specified in paragraph 1(b) of this article are obliged to make a PCR test every 72 hours for 12 days after entering Georgia, the expenses of which shall be reimbursed from the budget of the relevant public institution.

Ordinance No 391 of 29 June 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 29.6.2020

Ordinance No 495 of 12 August 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 12.8.2020

Article 11^2– Measures to be taken in relation to visitors in Georgia for the purpose of business/labour activities

1. (Deleted – 27.8.2020, No 538).

2. Persons visiting Georgia for the purpose of carrying out business/labour activities shall be allowed to enter the territory of Georgia in accordance with the joint order of the Minister of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia, the Minister of Regional Development and Infrastructure of Georgia, the Minister of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia, the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Georgia, the Minister of Environmental Protection and Agriculture of Georgia, and the Minister of Education, Science, Culture and Sport of Georgia on the Procedure for Completing an Application in the Electronic Programme and Obtaining Consent by Foreign Visitorsfor Carrying out Business/Labour ActivitiesinGeorgia.

3. Interested persons may complete an application in the electronic programme referred to in paragraph 2 of this article.

4. The relevant sectoral ministries, the Tbilisi Municipality and the Ministry of Finance and Economy of the Autonomous Republic of Ajara referred to in paragraph 2 of this article shall give consent or refuse to give consent to enter Georgia in accordance with the joint order of sectoral ministries referred to in paragraph 2 of this article and shall notify the interested party thereof by e-mail.

4^1. If an appropriate public institution determined by paragraph 4 of this article gives consent to the persons entering Georgia for the purpose of carrying out business/labour activities, it shall also make one of the following decisions:

a) to conduct PCR testing/examinations of the visitors in accordance with these Rules;

b) to place visitors in quarantine.

5. The creation of the electronic programme shall be ensured by the LEPL Enterprise Georgia within the system of the Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia, and the administration shall be carried out by the ministries, the Tbilisi Municipality and the Ministry of Finance and Economy of the Autonomous Republic of Ajara referred to in paragraph 2 of this

article.

6. A foreign visitor who enters Georgia as provided for by this article shall, at the time of entering Georgia, undergo the PCR testing at his/her own expense at the customs checkpoint/border checkpoint or the nearest customs control zone and, before the test results are known, be placed at 24-hour quarantine at his/her own expense; if the test results are negative, the foreign visitor shall, according to the decision of the body issuing a permit:

a) pass the PCR testing at his/her own expense every 72 hours for the following 12 days; or

b) be placed in quarantine for 8 days at his/her own expense and also, in the case of leaving the quarantine area, undergo a PCR test at his/her own expense on the twelfth day or upon the identification of any symptom relevant to the standard definition of the case.

7. (Deleted – 14.9.2020, No 577).

8. Violation of the requirements set forth in paragraph 6 of this article shall result in liability of the person in accordance with the legislation of Georgia.

9. This article shall not apply to citizens or persons with residence permits of those countries with which Georgia has opened its borders without testing and/or quarantine. Such persons are obliged, upon entering Georgia, to present a negative result of the PCR test conducted for the last 72 hours or to undergo a PCR test at their expense upon entering Georgia.

Ordinance No 418 of 8 July 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 8.7.2020

Ordinance No 469 of 24 July 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 24.7.2020

Ordinance No 495 of 12 August 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 12.8.2020

Ordinance No 538 of 27 August 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 27.8.2020

Ordinance No 577 of 14 September 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 14.9.2020

Article 11^3 – Procedures to be implemented in relation to foreign military servants/representatives participating in the international military trainings and exercises planned within the system of the Ministry of Defence of Georgia

1. When entering Georgia, foreign military servants/representatives, who are participating in the below-listedinternational military trainings and exercises planned within the system of the Ministry of Defence of Georgia, shall not be subject to isolation/quarantine:

a) multinational brigade level command and staff exercise 'NOBLE PARTNER 20';

b) Joint Combined Exchange Training (JCET).

2. Persons determined by paragraph 1 of this article shall submit to the border checkpoints the documents certifying their placement in an8-day quarantine and the PCR test results conducted within the last 72 hours before their official visit to Georgia.

Ordinance No 504 of 14 August 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 17.8.2020

Ordinance No 577 of 14 September 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 14.9.2020

Article 11^4 – Measures to be taken in relation to foreign visitors who carry out business/labour activities in other countries remotely from Georgia

1. Foreign visitors, who carry out business/labour activities abroad remotely from Georgia, shall be subject to isolation/quarantine when entering Georgia.

2. The persons determined by paragraph 1 of this article shall be allowed to enter the territory of Georgia in accordance with the joint order of the Minister of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia and the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Georgia on the Procedure for Completing an Application in the Electronic Programme and Obtaining Consent by Foreign Visitors for Carrying out Business/Labour Activities Abroad Remotely from Georgia.

3. Interested persons can complete an application in the electronic programme referred to in paragraph 2 of this article.

4. The relevant ministries referred to in paragraph 2 of this articleshall, based on a joint order, give consent or refuse to give consent to enter Georgia and shall notify the interested party thereof by e-mail.

5. The electronic programme shall be developed by the LEPL Georgian National Tourism Administration within the system of the Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia, and shall be administered by the ministries referred to in paragraph 2 of this article.

6. An alien who has entered Georgia in accordance with the requirements of this article shall, when entering Georgia, undergo a mandatory 8-day quarantine at his/her own expense and, after the completion of the mandatory 8-day quarantine, as well as on the twelfth day, undergo a PCR test at his/her own expense.

7. The violation of the requirements of paragraph 6 of this article shall result in the liability of the person in accordance with the legislation of Georgia.

8. This article shall not apply to citizens or persons with residence permits of the countries with which Georgia has opened its borders without testing and/or quarantine requirements. Such persons shall present at the border checkpoints a document certifying a PCR test conducted for the last 72 hours before entering Georgia, or undergo a PCR test at their expense upon entering Georgia.

Ordinance No 525 of 21 August 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 21.8.2020

Ordinance No 577 of 14 September 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 14.9.2020

Article 11^5 –Procedures for the entrance to Georgia of students who are foreign nationals

1. Students who are foreign nationals ('foreign students'), except for students who are foreign nationals as provided for by Paragraph 5^1(a) of this article, are obliged, for the purpose of entering Georgia, to register electronically via the website of the Government of Georgia 'StopCov.ge' with the electronic programme ('electronic programme') by filling in special application forms:

a) students who are foreign nationals as provided for by Paragraph 5 of this article are obliged to register through filling in the special electronic programme form – 'Form of Registration of Foreign Students Entering Georgia';

b) students who are foreign nationals as provided for by Paragraph 5(b) of this article are obliged to register through filling in the special electronic programme form – 'Form of Registration of Citizens/Residents of Countries of the EU'.

2. The process of registration of foreign students with the electronic programme shall be administered by the Ministry of Education, Science, Culture and Sport of Georgia.

3. The Ministry of Education, Science, Culture and Sport of Georgia shall issue a consent or a refusal regarding the entrance to Georgia of foreign students registered with the electronic programme.

4. Information on a consent or a refusal regarding the entrance to Georgia shall be provided to foreign students via e-mail by a respective higher education institution.

5. Foreign students, who obtained a consent for entering Georgia from the Ministry of Education, Science, Culture and Sport of Georgia, are obliged to present a document certifying the PCR test conducted within the last 72 hours prior to entering Georgia, to undergo a 8-day mandatory quarantine at their own expenses at the quarantine areas arranged in compliance with the recommendations of the Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia, and to undergo a PCR test at their own expenses after the completion of the 8-day mandatory quarantine. The violation of these requirements shall result in liability under the legislation of Georgia.

5^1. Mandatory quarantine provided for by paragraph 5 of this article shall not apply to foreign students who:

a) upon entering Georgia, present a document certifying the full course (two doses) of any type of covidvaccine at the border;

b) are citizens of countries under Paragraph 1(b) of Annex 2 to Operative Response Plan to Cases of Diseases Caused by the Novel Coronavirus approved by Decree No 164 of 28 January 2020 of the Government of Georgia on the Approval of Measures to Prevent the Possible Spread of the Novel Coronavirus in Georgia and an Emergency Response Plan for the Cases of Novel Coronavirus Diseases, and persons holding residence permits in the same countries. Upon entering Georgia, the students provided for in this sub-paragraph shall present a document confirming the PCR test conducted during the last 72 hours at the border checkpoint, and on the 3rd day after crossing the border, ensure the conduct of the PCR test at their own expense.

6. A higher education institution, the student status of which is granted to a foreign student, is obliged:

a) to verify the accuracy of a special application form completed by the foreign student with the electronic programme and, before granting a consent under paragraph 3 of this article, to fill in the electronic programme the details of the health and accident insurance policy issued to the foreign student under the applicable legislation;

b) to transfer and place foreign students to the quarantine areas arranged in compliance with the recommendations of the Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia at the hotels (or similar places of accommodation) selected for the purpose of provision of accommodation to foreign students enrolled at the higher education institution;

c) to monitor and coordinate medical surveillance and protection of foreign students during the period of their placement in quarantine;

d) to provide appropriate information to the Ministry of Education, Science, Culture and Sport of Georgia within not later than three days after issuing a respective legal act on suspension/termination of students' status of foreign students.

Ordinance No 565 of 9 September 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 9.9.2020

Ordinance No 622 of 8 October 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 8.10.2020

Ordinance No 54 of 5 February 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 5.2.2020

Article 12 – Rights and obligations of a person placed in isolation

1. Receiving visitors in an isolation (self-isolation, quarantine) area shall be prohibited.

2. The provision of food and personal care items/clothes and, as needed, medicines, through indirect contact to persons placed in isolation shall be permitted.

3. Contact with other persons staying in the same living area shall be minimised. Close contact with other persons within less than 1 metre distance for more than 15 minutes shall be prohibited.

4. During the isolation period, a person shall use individual utensils (cups, plates, spoons, etc.), and towels, bed and disposables.

5. A person placed in isolation may unlimitedly use means of telecommunication (including the internet).

6. During the isolation period, within the scope of its competence, a relevant public health care service shall carry out periodic monitoring of persons placed in isolation. As appropriate, the monitoring may also be carried out, within the scope of their competence, by services authorised by the Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia.

7. If a person placed in isolation needs medical assistance, his/her transportation to/from a hospital shall be carried out by the LEPI Emergency Situations Coordination and Urgent Assistance Centre, in a special vehicle and, as appropriate, with the escort of a relevant service of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Georgia. A person subject to isolation shall be placed in the isolation ward of an inpatient facility until the expiry of the isolation period.

8. A person placed in isolation shall be required to refrain from tobacco and alcohol consumption, and shall be prohibited from

consuming psychoactive substances without prescription.

9. A person placed in isolation may not leave the place of isolation except when medical care is needed, regarding which a relevant public health care service shall be immediately notified.

10. During the isolation period, a person placed in isolation shall be prohibited to communicate with other persons without personal protective equipment recommended by apublic health care service.

Article 13 – Controlling the rules provided for by this Chapter

Incidences of violation of isolation and quarantine rules and/or any information on the violation of isolation and quarantine rules shall be responded to by a relevant division of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Georgia authorised to review an administrative offence case on site and to impose an administrative penalty on an offender on site, in accordance with the procedure established by the legislation of Georgia.

Article 14 – Exchange of information

1. (Deleted – 26.3.2021, No 132).

2. For the purpose of transferring a person to a quarantine area, the LEPL Revenue Service, the LEPL L. Sakvarelidze National Centre for Disease Control and Public Health, and the LEPL Emergency Situation Coordination and Urgent Assistance Centre (only within Adjara region), and the LEPL Georgian National Tourism Administration shall be authorised to deliver information on persons to be transferred to the quarantine area (name, surname, personal number and contact details) to the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Georgia.

3. Information on natural persons subject to isolation (self-isolation, quarantine) shall be sent to the LEPL L. Sakvarelidze National Centre for Disease Control and Public Health.

4. For the purpose of controlling the fulfilment of isolation conditions by a person in self-isolation, the LEPL L. Sakvarelidze National Centre for Disease Control and Public Health shall send information on a natural person subject to self-isolation (name, surname, personal number, contact details and address of the place of self-isolation/residence address) to the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Georgia.

5. Information on confirmed cases of COVID-19 (a list of new cases statistically registered on the previous reporting dayin electronic format, containing full names and contact details) shall be submitted by the LEPL L. Sakvarelidze National Centre for Disease Control and Public Health under the state control of the Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia, on a daily basis, to the LEPL Public Safety Management Center 112 operating under the governance of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Georgia ('Public Safety Management Center 112') (Public Safety Management Center 112 shall also manage the notifications received during the day, which are not included in the above electronic list), which shall, for the purpose of initial clinical evaluation of patients, submit the information to the outpatient institutions determined by Order No 01-150/ო of 4 April 2020 of the Minister of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia 'On Measures to be Taken for the Identification and Proper Management/Referral of the Cases of Seasonal Influenzaand COVID-19.

5^1. In order to protect public health, notices received by the Public Safety Management Center '112' regarding Coronavirus (name, surname, personal number, contact information and health status of a person) shall be sent through the software to outpatient facilities determined by Order No 01-150/ო of the Minister of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia of 4 April 2020 on the Measures to be Taken to Identify Seasonal Influenza and COVID-19 Cases and to Ensure their Proper Management / Referral.

6. Upon the receipt of a notification of the need of medical assistance due to coronavirus, if requested by a person, in order to timely refer the person to a relevant insurance organisation /a provider medical institution of an insurance organisation, the Public Safety Management Center 112 shall be authorised to check the information about the personon the database of the persons using the insurance services, provided by the LEPLInsurance State Supervision Service of Georgia. The database of the persons using the insurance services referred to in this paragraph shall include the name, surname, date of birth, personal number, insurance starting date, insurance ending date, date of early termination of insurance, a policy holder (budgetary – a policyholder that provides insurance coverage from the budgetary funds, non-budgetary) and an insurer of a person using the insurance services.

7. The institutions/organisations determined by paragraphs 5 and 6 of this article are obliged to enter into the software of the Public Safety Management Center 112 the information on the actions taken by them in the process of management of the suspected and/or confirmed cases of COVID-19.

8. Relevant state / administrative bodies defined by this Rule, as well as private institutions exercising their powers under this Rule and Decree No 164 of 28 January 2020 of the Government of Georgia on the Approval of Measures to Prevent the Possible Spread of the Novel Coronavirus in Georgia and an Emergency Response Plan for the Cases of Novel Coronavirus Diseases, shall ensure the processing of personal data for the effective and coordinated management of isolation / quarantine measures and suspected and / or confirmed cases of COVID-19, for which they are authorised to use the various electronic systems in their system and / or to exchange data, including through the connection between the said systems. In addition, data exchange issues may, if necessary, be regulated in accordance with the agreements concluded between the parties.

Ordinance No 635 of 19 October 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website,19.10.2020

Ordinance No 638 of 21 October 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 21.10.2020

Ordinance No 647 of 27 October 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 27.10.2020

Ordinance No 750 of 17 December 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 17.12.2020

Ordinance No 61 of 9 February 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 9.2.2021

Ordinance No 132 of 26 March 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 26.3.2021

Chapter III – (Deleted)

Ordinance No 395 of 1 July 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 1.7.2020

Article 15 – (Deleted)

Ordinance No 369 of 15 June 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 16.6.2020

Ordinance No 395 of 1 July 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 1.7.2020

Article 16 – (Deleted)

Ordinance No 351 of 4 June 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 4.6.2020

Chapter III[1]– Management of Epidemic Outbreaks

Ordinance No 468 of 24 July 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 24.7.2020

Article 16[1] – (Deleted)

Ordinance No 468 of 24 July 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 24.7.2020

Ordinance No 493 of 10 August 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 10.8.2020

Article 16^2 – (Deleted)

Ordinance No 493 of 10 August 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 10.8.2020

Ordinance No 495 of 12 August 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 12.8.2020

Ordinance No 526 of 21 August 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 21.8.2020

Ordinance No 547 of 31 August 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 31.8.2020

Article 16^3 – (Deleted)

Ordinance No 601 of 24 September 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 24.9.2020

Ordinance No 613 of 6 October 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 6.10.2020

Ordinance No 624 of 15 October 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 15.10.2020

Ordinance No 631 of 19 October 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 19.10.2020

Ordinance No 659 of 3 November 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 3.11.2020

Ordinance No 715 of 27 November 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 27.11.2020

Article 16^4 – (Deleted)

Ordinance No 624 of 15 October 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 15.10.2020

Ordinance No 636 of 20October 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 20.10.2020

Ordinance No 659 of 3 November 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 3.11.2020

Chapter IV –Temporary Measures in the System of the Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia

Article 17 – Social security

1. For the purpose of ensuring the uninterrupted payment of state cash payments (state pensions, compensation, social packages, etc.) at the transitional stage, the LEPL Social Service Agency ('the Agency') subject to the state control of the Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia ('the Ministry') shall not suspend the payment of state cash payments even where there are ground(s) for suspending such payments as provided for by the legislation, except for the case where a person is under pre-trial detention. In this case the administration of state cash payments shall be carried out in accordance with procedures for administration of state cash payments provided for by legislation, and state cash payments shall be suspended for persons with disabilities after the lapse of the time frame specified in paragraph 4 of this article.

2. A body administering appropriate state cash payments shall be released from the obligation to administer cash payments where said administration may result in the suspension of a cash payment, except for the case where a person is under pre-trial detention in which case the administration of state cash payments shall be carried out in accordance with procedures provided for by legislation.

2^1. The Agency shall be authorised to schedule the issue of and renew state cash payments and social assistance and / or conduct other relations related to their administration on the basis of an electronic application submitted and / or an electronic copy of a material document.

3. (Deleted – 1.6.2020, No 344).

4. Extracts of a medical and social examination act (Form IV-50/4) issued in accordance with the requirements of Order No 64/6 of 27 February 2007 of the Minister of Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia on the Approval of Forms Required for the Medical and Social Examination, and accordingly the statuses provided for by these extracts which serve as the basis for determining the date termination of disability status as 1 December 2020 and the subsequent period, shall retain legal force until 1 April 2021. During the period the continuity of state cash payments shall be ensured, and after the expiry of the said period, the administration of the said state cash payments shall be carried out in accordance with procedures provided for by legislation.

5. Within the framework of Ordinance No 262 of 31 March 2014 of the Government of Georgia on the Approval of State Target Programme Promoting the Improvement of Demographic Situation, the LEPL Social Service Agency shall not provide verification of the factual place of residence of families of beneficiaries referred to in Article 5(1) of the State Programme approved by the said Ordinance (for the purposes of confirming the fact of residence of beneficiaries), and pecuniary benefits shall be given within the framework of this programme according to the information kept in the database administered by the Agency, other than for exceptions established within the framework of this programme (according to the database produced by the LEPL Public Service Development Agency: death, termination of citizenship and / or according to the database produced by the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Georgia - border crossing).

6. In terms of the additional administration of registration of socially vulnerable families in the unified database ('the database') and/or of the living allowance:

a) the repeated verification of the social and economic situations of families registered in the database, irrespective of the rating score, shall not be provided at the initiative of the Agency and/or on the basis of confirmed information received and/or found (identified) from various sources within the competences and authority provided for by Ordinance No 126 of 24 April 2010 of the Government of Georgia on Measures for Lowering the Level of Poverty and Improving the Social Security of Population in the Country, except for cases where the initial and repeated verification of the social and economic situation of afamily is requested by the family itself;

b) in relation to families registered in the database and having arating score of less than 100 001, the Agency shall keep paying monetary social assistance, and the living allowance continuously, irrespective of the competences and authority provided for by Ordinance No 126 of 24 April 2010 of the Government of Georgia on Lowering the Level of Poverty and Improving the Social Security of Population in the Country and Ordinance No 145 of 28 July 2006 of the Government of Georgia on Social Assistance initiated by the Agency, and/or irrespective of confirmed information received from various sources and/or confirmed information found (identified), except for cases where the repeated verification of its social and economic situation is requested by the family itself;

c) in the case provided for by sub-paragraph (b) of this paragraph, (continuous payment of the living allowance), the amount of living allowance shall be determined according to the data (number of family members and the rating score) held in the database, except when a family member(s) die(s)or is/are placed in a specialised/penitentiary institution or is/are placed in foster care or leave(s)the country for more than three months in succession, in which case the living allowance shall be automatically re-estimated on the basis of information received from a competent authority, by deducting the amount designated for such member(s).Such re-estimations shall be calculated, in the case of death or placement in a penitentiary institution, from the month which follows the month when a family member was excluded, and in the case of placement in a specialised institution or in foster care, from the month when information was received by the Agency (if the transfer of the amount was made from the following month), and in the case of crossing the border, from the month which follows the month when the three-month period of crossing the border has expired (while counting months, the first month shall be the month when the border was crossed);

c^1) in the cases provided for by sub-paragraph (c) of this paragraph (placement in a penitentiary institution, placement in a specialised institution or foster care, crossing the border), in the case of return / addition of the excluded member (s), the Agency shall re-verify the socio-economic status of the family on the basis of the application of the family. Otherwise, the living allowance shall continue to be reimbursed in the amount re-calculated, excluding the amount owed to such member (s).

d) if a family obtains the right to receive a living allowance based on the examination/assessment of its social and economic situation, the Agency is obliged to automatically carry out the procedure for granting the living allowance, without requiring a visit to the family by an authorised person of the Agency;

e) the Agency shall not be authorised to terminate the registration of a family in the database on the grounds referred to in Article 8(7)(e) of the Rule established by Ordinance No 126 of 24 April 2010 of the Government of Georgia on Measures for Lowering the

Level of Poverty and Improving the Social Security of Population in the Country. Accordingly, the rating score shall be assigned according to the data held in the database;

f) the Agency shall not be authorised to terminate the registration of a family in the database if the family has violated obligations provided for by Article 6(1)(d) of the Rule established by Ordinance No 126 of 24 April 2010 of the Government of Georgia on Measures for Lowering the Level of Poverty and Improving the Social Security of Population in the Country, and in the cases provided for by Article 14 of Order No 141/6 of 20 May 2010 of the Minister of Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia on th Assessment of Social and Economic Situation of Socially Vulnerable Families and the Rule of Recording and Referring Information on Children Living in these Families, except for cases where the family does not allow an authorised person of the Agency to examine property/documents or the family refuses to complete a declaration/child declaration and/or register in the database or if not all family members have documents determined by the legislation to complete the declaration, or the family has applied to the Agency for a reassessment based on the change of address and following the social agent's visit (s) to the new address it is verified that the family does not live at the address;

g) the Agency shall be authorised to consider the data held in the electronic database of the LEPL Public Service Development Agency subject to the control of the Ministry of Justice of Georgia as an equivalent document substituting the birth certificate of a child (children) in order to administer the programme within the framework of Ordinance No 145 of 28 July 2006 of the Government of Georgia on Social Assistance and Ordinance No 262 of 31 March 2014 of the Government of Georgia on the Approval of Targeted State Programme for Promoting the Improvement of Demographic Situation, which shall be delivered to the Agency by the Public Service Development Agency in a mutually agreed format.

7.The provision of services in institutions providing services within the framework of various sub-programmes of the State Programme of 2020 for Social Rehabilitation and Childcare approved by Ordinance No 670 of 31 December 2019 of the Government of Georgia (except for 24-hour services and sub-programme for providing services by means of supporting equipment) shall be suspended until 1 July 2020.During the mentioned period, organisations providing services shall be remunerated for their services in accordance with the conditions set out by a respective legal act.

8. Taking into consideration the epidemiological situation, in the case of absence of more than 60% of the total number of beneficiaries and/or personnel employed by the services only in the component of day care centres, provided for by the 'Early Childhood Development Support Sub-programme', 'Child Rehabilitation/Habilitation Sub-programme', 'Programme for the Provision of Services at Day Care Centres', Home Care Sub-programme for Children with Severe and Profound Developmental Delays', and 'Sub-programme for the Provision of Shelters to Street Children' under the 'State Programme of 2020 for Social Rehabilitation and Childcare' approved by Ordinance No 670 of 31 December 2019 of the Government of Georgia, the service may take a decision on the suspension of the provision of services, which shall be notified in writing to the Ministry and/or the LEPL Agency For State Care And Assistance For the (Statutory) Victims of Human trafficking.

9. Before resuming the provision of the services referred to in paragraph 8 of this article, the principles, procedures and amount of their financing shall be determined by an individual administrative act of the Minister of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia.

10. State cash payments / social assistance amounts issued under this article shall not be considered overpaid and shall not be subject to refund.

Ordinance No 344 of 1 June 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 1.6.2020

Ordinance No 651 of 29 October 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 29.10.2020

Ordinance No 715 of 27 November 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 27.11.2020

Ordinance No 764 of 21 December 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 21.12.2020

Ordinance No 20 of 21 January 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 21.1.2021

Ordinance No 37 of 29 January 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 29.1.2021

Article 18 – Medical assistance

1. To prevent the spread of possible cases of the novel coronavirus COVID-19 (epidemics, pandemic, epidemic outbreak) in Georgia and to be ready to respond to suspected and/or confirmed cases, the treatment of patients shall be continued in specially

selected medical institutions determined by an order of the Minister.

2. With regard to paragraph 1 of this article, in coordination with the Ministry, beds in medical institutions to diagnose and manage suspected and confirmed cases of COVID-19 in selected institutions shall be mobilised on the basis of the instructions of the Ministry, including:

a) transferring existing/current patients (mobilisation of beds in an institution) to medical institutions providing relevant medical services; and/or

b) increasing the number of beds at their base (including in the intensive care unit) to the extent possible and, as appropriate, purchasing medical items, materials, apparatus and medications;

c) providing the diagnosis and management of suspected and confirmed cases of COVID-19;

d) as appropriate, manage COVID-19 positive pregnant women, irrespective of having the level defined by Order No 01-2/ნ of 15 January 2015 of the Minister of Labour, Health and Social Protection of Georgia on the Approval of Regionalisation of Perinatal Services Levels and Patient Referral Criteria;

3. Services provided in medical institutions determined by paragraph 1 of this article shall cover:

a) the provision of primary triage and diagnosis of patients at high risk (persons placed in quarantine or self-isolation areas, and contacts of confirmed cases of COVID-19) by institutions mobilised for the management of confirmed cases of COVID-19 (COVID clinics), and the management of confirmed cases of COVID-19, including patients referred from medical institutions;

b) the provision of primary triage and diagnosis of any patient having fever by institutions mobilised for the management of confirmed cases of COVID-19 (COVID clinics), the referral of patients to the nearest COVID clinic after the COVID-19 diagnosis is confirmed, except for severe cases when patients are referred to medical institutions selected on the basis of instructions of the LEPL National Health Agency; if the COVID-19 diagnosis is excluded, the redirection of patients to the nearest medical institution for further examination and treatment.

4. For the purposes of this article, any inpatient institution throughout the country is obliged to provide initial triage of patients having fever, and provide services to patients in an isolated environment in the medical institution, with strict observance of infection control measures by medical personnel.

4^1. For the purposes of this Article, any inpatient facility across the country in the event of infection of patients and / or medical personnel treated with COVID-19 at the same facility shall be required to provide on-site management of confirmed cases of COVID-19 in an isolated environment by strict adherence to infection control measures by medical personnel.

4^2. For the purposes set forth in paragraph 4^1 of this article, and paragraph 8(b.b) of this article, any inpatient facility in the country shall be temporarily relieved of the obligation to hold an annex to the permit for the treatment of infectious diseases.

5. All institutions determined by paragraph 1 of this article are obliged to assign persons responsible for taking appropriate biological material for COVID-19 testing, performing fast tests and, as appropriate, storing and handling material to be analysed. The material to be analysed shall be handled in accordance with instructions/procedures determined by the General Director of the LEPL L. Sakvarelidze National Centre for Disease Control and Public Health.

6. During the period of epidemic, medical personnel (doctors, paramedics, hospital attendants) working in medical institutions determined by paragraph 1 of this article who, at the same time, are employed by other medical institutions, are obliged to work only in the institutions determined by paragraph 1 of this article. In addition, the other medical institution is obliged to maintain the work position (if any) for the said medical personnel.

6^1. For the purposes of this article, taking into account the epidemiological situation the management of COVID-19 as an interim measure (except for intensive care) shall be granted to any subject of independent medical practice, regardless of the specialty and competence permitted by the state certificate.

6^2. For the purposes of this article, the Ministry shall be authorised to defer the conduct of the Unified Postgraduate Qualification and State Certification Examination for a reasonable period of time as a temporary measure, taking into account the epidemiological situation.

7. Institutions determined by paragraphs 1, 4^1 and 8 of this article shall be financed in accordance with terms and conditions determined by Annex No 20 (Management of the Novel Coronavirus Disease of COVID-19) approved by Ordinance No 828 of 31

December 2020 of the Government of Georgia on the Approval of State Healthcare Programmes of 2021.

8. In a matter of urgent necessity, taking into account the epidemiological situation, the Ministry shall be authorised to:

a) make a decision other than provided for by this Ordinance on changing the terms related to the mobilisation, and/or on mobilisation of other inpatient facilities with proper conditions;

b) make a decision on the exclusion of facilities from the mobilisation scheme, taking into account the number of beds mobilised, the number of beds used, geographical availability, access to specialised services for patients diagnosed with COVID-19, as well as the possibility of consolidating beds. However:

b.a) in clinics that will be subject to exclusion from the mobilisation scheme, except for the cases specified in sub-paragraph "b.b" of the same paragraph, the admission of new patients diagnosed with COVID-19 shall be terminated from the date specified by the Ministry;

b.b) clinics referred to in sub-paragraph (b.a) shall have the right to accept new patients diagnosed with COVID-19 for management if they are able to operate in hybrid mode with appropriate prevention and control measures and prevention of infection.

b.c) in the cases specified in sub-paragraph (b.b) of this paragraph, funding for COVID-19 cases for clinics will be provided in a different manner than for mobilised clinics.

8^1. In order to prevent the spread (epidemic, pandemic, epidemic outbreak) of possible cases of the novel coronavirus(COVID-19) in Georgia,to manage home care of the persons with suspected and/or confirmed cases of COVID-19, and to control the quality of such management:

a) a central online clinic shall start operating under the Ministry, which shall manage and supervise the novel coronavirus(COVID-19) cases, monitor the process and control the quality of such management;

b) for providing the services determined by sub-paragraph (a) of this paragraph, the central online clinic shall, in order to perform administrative, registration, operational support and other appropriate tasks in the working process within its competence, be staffed with family physicians, junior doctors/university students in their final year of studies, and other personnel, after the provision of appropriate training;

c) insurance companies shall provide the persons involved in private insurance schemes and the persons insured from budgetary funds with the management and supervision of suspected and/or confirmed COVID-19 cases, and the telephone consultation with family physicians/pediatricians/internal medicine specialists;

d) insurance companies shall provide to the insured persons the contact information of the medical personnel engaged in the management and supervision of suspected and/or confirmed COVID-19 cases, and other organisational issues;

e) provision of the services determined by this paragraph shall not envisage co-payment by beneficiaries;

f) other issues related to the implementation of the measures determined by this paragraph may be regulated by an individual administrative act of the Minister of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia.

8^2. Vaccination against the novel coronavirus disease – with COVID-19 vaccine shall be carried out in medical institutions that meet the criteria set by the Ministry, however, for the purposes of this paragraph, vaccinations may be given to internal medicine specialists, infectious disease specialists, family physicians, allergists, pediatricians, surgeons, nurses, after providing appropriate training.

9. The following institutions shall be assigned the following functions:

a) the LEPL State Regulation Agency for Medical Activities to monitor the readiness of medical institutions in terms of infection control and maintaining the respiratory apparatus in good work order;

b) the LEPL Emergency Situation Coordination and Urgent Assistance Centre:

b.a) to ensure the transportation of patients, as needed;

b.b) to ensure the testing for infection (COVID-19) caused by the novel coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2) on the basis of established service fees in accordance with paragraph 10 of this article and/or Article 21(1^1) of the Law of Georgia on Public Procurement, including:

b.b.a) gathering, storing and transporting relevant biological material or testing for identifying COVID-19 using the fast/easy method (directly through the LEPL Emergency Situation Coordination and Urgent Assistance Centre);

b.b.b) testing for COVID-19 using the PCR method, in accordance with Annex No 20 (Managing the Disease of Novel Coronavirus of COVID-19) approved by Ordinance No 828 of 31 December 2020 of the Government of Georgia on the Approval of Healthcare State Programmes of 2021, through the institution/laboratories implementing the component providing diagnostics of the infection caused by the novel coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2) (in accordance with the terms of the contract between the LEPL Emergency Situation Coordination and Urgent Assistance Centre and the relevant institution/laboratories);

c) the LEPL National Healthcare Agency to:

c.a) provide assistance, as appropriate, in the process of distribution of current patients to other medical institutions providing relevant services when the hospital is fully mobilised;

c.b) ensure that the medical institution is informed about this Ordinance.

10.In order to enforce the measures determined by this article, procuring institutions shall be given the right to procure necessary services/goods in the case of urgent necessity and/or in accordance with Article 10^1(3)(d) of the Law of Georgia on Public Procurement, under the simplified procurement procedure, with the consent of the LEPL State Procurement Agency.

11. The measures determined by paragraph 2 (c) of this article shall be financed in accordance with terms and conditions determined by the State Programme for Managing the Disease of Novel Coronavirus of COVID-19 approved by Ordinance No 828 of 31 December 2020 of the Government of Georgia on the Approval of Healthcare State Programmes of 2021.

12. Taking into accountnational and public importance, a different procedure for the issuance of a licence/permit shall be established for medical institutions and, in agreement with the Ministry, the LEPL State Regulation Agency of Medical Activities shall be granted the right to issue a temporary licence/permit for medical activities by a relevant act with terms and conditions other than those established by the legislation.

13. To ensure the execution of this Ordinance, Batumi Republican Clinical Hospital LTD shall be granted the right to perform activities on the basis of the existing licence/permit at the address of property (land (real estate)cadastral code No05.27.09.011) located at No 2, Tbel Abuseridze Street, the City of Batumi.

14.To enforce the measures determined by this article, Academician Nikoloz Kipshidze Central University Hospital LTD (cadastral code: 205165453) shall use the plot of land (including the buildings and structures thereon/attached thereto) registered by cadaster code No 43.10.42.174 of land (real estate) (address: the Village of Rukhi, Zugdidi Municipality), on the basis of the existing licence/permit, to manage infection (COVID-19) caused by the novel coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2).For the purposes of this article, Academician Nikoloz Kipshidze Central University Hospital LTD shall be authorised to use fixed and other assets, and other resources on its balance sheet.

15. Institutions providing dental services shall continue functioning in accordance with the recommendations/requirements and the ruleof functioning approved by the Order of the Minister of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia.

16.As appropriate, those persons responsible for the delivery/supply of medication to beneficiaries during the provision of appropriate services within appropriate state healthcare programmes in the system of the Ministry, in accordance with the terms and conditions provided for by the same state programme, may be released from the obligation to deliver under the prescription form No 3 as a temporary measure.

Ordinance No 451 of 20 July 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 20.7.2020

Ordinance No 647 of 27 October 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 27.10.2020

Ordinance No 686 of 19 November 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 19.11.2020

Ordinance No 764 of 21 December 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 21.12.2020

Ordinance No 96 of 11 March 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 12.3.2021

Article 19 – Medical and pharmaceutical activities

1. For applications submitted to the LEPL called the Regulation Agency for Medical Activities the period of validity shall be extended for not more than 30 calendar days provided for by Articles 11^{7} and 11^{8}, Article 11^{11} (1)(d)(f) and paragraphs 9 and 10 of the same article of the Law of Georgia on Medicines and Pharmaceutical Activities (including pharmaceutical products, dental material and diagnostic products registration).

2. The deadline for reviewing general correspondence related to pharmaceutical activities submitted to the LEPL called the Regulation Agency for Medical Activities shall not be more than two months.

3. The period of validity under Article 26 of the Law of Georgia on Licences and Permits for applications submitted to the LEPL called the Regulation Agency for Medical Activities, in order to obtain permits for clinical trials of pharmacological products, an authorised pharmacy, and for manufacturing pharmaceutical products, shall be extended by 30 calendar days.

Ordinance No 715 of 27 November 2020 of the Government of Georgia – website, 27.11.2020

Article 20 –Enforcement of penalty sanctions

1.Within the framework of Ordinance No 36 of 21 February 2013 of the Government of Georgia on Certain Measures to be Implemented to Transit to Universal Healthcare, the moratorium shall be extended to 1 July 2020 on penalty sanctions (including disputable ones) determined by administrative legal act(s) of the programme administering body (bodies) for supplier institutions, and on the payment of administering measures determined by Article 19^{1} of Annex 1 of the same Ordinance and Ordinance No 66 of 13 February 2019 of the Government of Georgia on Additional Measures for Administering State Programme for Universal Healthcare, taking into account paragraph 3 of this article.

2.The provisions of paragraph 1 of this article shall also apply to the enforcement of penalty sanctions determined within the framework of state healthcare programmes of the respective year (including the State Programme for the Management of Hepatitis C approved by Ordinance No 169 of 20 April 2015).

3.In the case provided for by Article 19^{1}(8) and (9) of Annex No 1 of Ordinance No 36 of 21 February 2013 of the Government of Georgia on Certain Measures to be Implemented to Transit to Universal Healthcare, the validity of a written agreement on the payment rescheduling of penalty sanctions shall be suspended only if a supplier ensures that the validity period of an appropriate guarantee related to the fulfilment of an obligation (a guarantee corresponding to the amount of the obligation) is postponed for an appropriate period and is submitted to a provider in a written form.

Article 21 –Measures related to property management and agreements

1.The Ministry and LEPLs subject to its control shall transfer movable state property to an appropriate organisation/institution, within the scope of measures of prevention related to the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) and in accordance with applicable legislation, namely Ordinance No 285 of 20 July 2011 of the Government of Georgia on Transfer of Disposable and Rapidly Wearing Items, Pharmaceutical and Food Products by Institutions of the Executive Authority to be Used by Private and Public Legal Entities and/or Administrative Bodies, and/or Ordinance No 791 of 24 December 2020 of the Government of Georgia on the Approval of the Rule for Applying, Discussing and Making a Decision on Transferring State Owned Property for Use to the State, the Autonomous Republic of Abkhazia or Ajara, a Local Self-government Body or a Legal Entity under Public Law. However, the deadlines set by the same Ordinances related to the transfer of state property shall not be applied

2. In accordance with Article 36(2) of the Law of Georgia on State Property, the Ministry and LEPLs subject to its control shall be permitted to transfer appropriate movable property free of charge, without auction, bytheir own decision, within the framework of measures for ensuring readiness for the prevention of conoravirus and appropriate response measures related thereto.

3.The Ministry and LEPLs subject to its control shall be released:

a) from the requirements of Ordinance No 139 of 11 May 2010 of the Government of Georgia on Certain Measures Related to the

Conclusion of Agreements with the Participation of Foreign Contracting Parties and Ordinance No 126 of 14 March 2011 of the Government of Georgia on Measures to be Implemented Regarding Grants by Relevant Institutions of the Executive Authority and Legal Entities under Public Law Subject to the State Control;

b) within the scope ofpreventive measures against the novel coronavirus (COVID-19), when making procurement of appropriate goods and services:

b.a) from the requirements determined by Article 21(4) of the Law of Georgia on Public Procurement and taking into account Article 10(8) of the Rule approved by Order No 13 of 17 August 2015 of the Head of the LEPL State Procurement Agency on the Determination of Criteria for Simplified Procurement and on the Approval of the Procedure for Performing Simplified Procurement, and Article 10(2), Article 11(1) and (1^1), Article 12(1) and (2), also, Article 13(3)of the rule approved by the same Order;

b.b) from the requirements of Ordinance No 6 of 12 January 2021 of the Government of Georgia on Certain Measures to be Taken Regarding Public Procurement.

4. Within the framework of measures of prevention of the novel coronavirus (COVID-19), in relation to the Ministry and LEPLs subject to its control, as well as relevant procuring medical institutions as provided for by Article 18 of this Ordinance:

a) the minimum time limits under the Law of Georgia on Public Procurement and the minimum time limits of the agreement with the LEPL Public Procurement Agency, determined on the basis of the said Law, shall not apply;

b) the provisions of Article 18(10) of this Ordinance shall apply, in light of the content thereof.

Ordinance No 37 of 29 January 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 29.1.2021

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