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, 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

Ordinance No 14 of 17 January 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 17.1.2022

Article 2 (Deleted)

Ordinance No 219 of 17 May 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 17.5.2021

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 3^3 (Deleted)

Ordinance No 562 of 30 November 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 30.11.2021

Ordinance No 576 of 8 December 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 8.12.2021

Ordinance No 614 of 28 December 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 29.12.2021

Ordinance No 53 of 4 February 2022 of the Government of Georgia – website, 4.2.2022

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 air, land and maritime movement shall be allowed in accordance with Article 11 (4^1) of this Rule and in the cases provided for by Decree N 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 the Emergency Response Plan forthe Cases of Novel Coronavirus Disease.

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. (Deleted – 22.6.2021. No 294).

6^2. (Deleted – 22.6.2021. No 294).

6^3. (Deleted – 22.6.2021. No 294).

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).

7^2. From 14 August 2021 to 13 September 2021, the operation of public transport within the administrative boundaries of municipalities of the cities Tbilisi, Batumi, Kutaisi, Rustavi and Zugdidi shall be suspended (except for Rustavi-Tbilisi), including in the municipality of the city of Tbilisi, the operation of the metro and ropeway shall be suspended.

7^3. (Deleted – 29.4.2021, No 198).

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).

8^3. (Deleted – 8.10.2021, No 500).

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

Ordinance No 169 of 13 April 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 13.4.2021

Ordinance No 187 of 27 April 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 27.4.2021

Ordinance No 198 of 29 April 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 30.4.2021

Ordinance No 219 of 17 May 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 17.5.2021

Ordinance No 241 of 31 May 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 31.5.2021

Ordinance No 248 of 1 June 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 1.6.2021

Ordinance No 294 of 22 June 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 22.6.2021

Ordinance No 410 of 13 August 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 13.8.2021

Ordinance No 443 of 31 August 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 31.8.2021

Ordinance No 500 of 8 October 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 8.10.2021

Article 2^1 – Restriction of entering the territories of cemeteries

1. From 2 May 2021 to 4 May 2021 it shall be prohibited to enter the territory of a cemetery.

2. The prohibition provided for by paragraph 1 of this article shall not apply to entry and movement for the implementation of the measures that are necessary for the burial of a deceased.

Ordinance No 187 of 27 April 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 27.4.2021

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.

2^1. Institutions carrying out early education services and / or pre-school education services and / or school readiness programmes shall not carry out the education / learning process until 4 October 2021, and from 4 October 2021 the said institutions shall fully restore the education / learning process.

2^2. Educational institutions (general, vocational, higher) shall carry out the educational process until 4 October 2021, using only distance learning and, if necessary, various forms of communication.

2^3. When conducting the learning in the non-distance mode, the staff and students shall be allowed to healthcare educational programmes, the learning component of which involves the contact with patients, only if they meet one of the following conditions:

a) they are fully vaccinated;

b) they provide PCR negative test result once a week;

c) not more than six months have lapsed after two weeks of the laboratory confirmation of the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19).

2^4. From 4 October 2021, throughout the entire country:

a) in general education institutions, the educational process shall continue in the format of attendance, in a non-distance mode;

b) vocational and higher education institutions shall be authorised to resume the educational process in the format of attendance, in a non-distance mode.

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'

5^1. Attendance of participants at any type of training, conference or seminar shall be allowed only on the basis of the PCR test conducted 72 earlier or the rapid antigen test conducted 24 hours earlier.

5^2. Attendance at any type of training, conference or seminar shall be allowed without PCR test and / or rapid antigen test 14 days after full vaccination.

5^3. Attendance at any type of training, conference or seminar shall be permitted if not more than six months have elapsed after two weeks of laboratory confirmation of the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19).

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.

7. A person registered to participate in the Unified National / Common Master / Subject / Senior Teacher Examinations, Student Grant Competition, and the testing of subject and professional competencies (the Examinee) who has a confirmed COVID-19 infection shall not eligible to take the exam before the expiry of the 14-day period.

8. LEPL - National Assessment and Examinations Center shall rely on information provided by LEPL L. Sakvarelidze National Center for Disease Control and Public Health - in identifying the persons specified in paragraph 7 of this article, for which the LEPL National Assessment and Examinations Center shall be authorised, electronically, in the form of a protected document, to provide information (name, surname, personal number) of the examinees passing the relevant exam on the day before the exam to LEPL L. Sakvarelidze National Center for Disease Control and Public Health. During the examination period, the LEPL National Assessment and Examinations Center shall be authorised to accept, on the daily basis, and in the protected form, information from LEPL L. Sakvarelidze National Center for Disease Control and Public Health, in relation to which examinee COVID-19 infection has been confirmed during 14 days before the relevant exam. The information will be available only to the authorised staff of the LEPL - National Assessment and Examinations Center and will be communicated in a protected form only to the relevant employee of the examination centre where the examinee takes the exam. The information obtained by LEPL National Assessment and Examinations Center on the confirmation of COVID-19 infection for the examinee shall be stored at the LEPL National Assessment and Examinations Center, for a period of one year, and after this period it shall be destroyed.

9. An examinee who is in the quarantine space or, in accordance with the rules established by this Ordinance, shall be quarantined upon arrival in the country, shal be entitled to take the exam 72 hours before the testing by the PCR (polymerase chain reaction) method. In the period between examinations, the person shall return to the quarantine space.

10. The examinee provided for in paragraph 9 of this article shall be entitled to apply to the LEPL National Assessment and Examinations Center or the administration of the quarantine space with a request to be admitted to the exam. The examinee shall present an examination-identification card to the quarantine space administration. If the examinee in the quarantine space applies to the National Assessment and Examinations Center with a request to be admitted to the examination, the LEPL National Assessment and Examinations Center shall be authorised to provide information about the examinee (name, surname, personal number, date of examination) in a mutually agreed upon format to the LEPL L. Sakvarelidze National Center for Disease Control and Public Health, which also provides relevant information in an agreed, protected format.

11. In the case of presenting the examination-identification card, the issue of testing the examinee shall be regulated in accordance with Decree No 975 of the Government of Georgia of 15 June 2020 on the Approval of the List of Priority Persons and Procedures for Mandatory Testing against Coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2) Infection (COVID-19).

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

Ordinance No 310 of 29 June 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 29.6.2021

Ordinance No 359 of 15 July 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 15.7.2021

Ordinance No 360 of 17 July 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 17.7.2021

Ordinance No 371 of 23 July 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 23.7.2021

Ordinance No 444 of 31 August 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 31.8.2021

Ordinance No 459 of 13 September 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 13.9.2021

Ordinance No 468 of 15 September 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 15.9.2021

Ordinance No 481 of 30 September 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 30.9.2021

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. (Deleted – 7.4.2021, No 158).

6. It shall be prohibited to hold any type of entertainment, arts, festival and cultural events (except for theatrical and cinematographic events).

6^1. The restriction determined by paragraph 6 of this article shall not apply to the activities of children's entertainment centres.

6^2. The restriction provided for in paragraph 6 of this article shall not apply to holding a concert on the territory of the hotel, and in addition, the hotel shall have the appropriate concert infrastructure and the concert must be held for hotel guests/visitors 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'.

6^3. It shall be allowed to hold sports events (competitions, assemblies) without spectators, and at the same time, participants of such events shall be allowed to such events 14 days after full vaccination or for the following six months after two weeks of

laboratory confirmation of the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19), or based on a negative PCR test result conducted 72 hours before the event or the negative rapid antigen test result conducted 24 hours before the event.

6^4. The restriction imposed by paragraph 6^3 of this article (on holding sports events without spectators) shall not apply to the matches of the Georgian Premier Leagues and international competitions/matches planned in Georgia (in any type of sport), 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) on the Workplace.

6^5. From 14 January 2022 until 06:00 of 16 January 2022, the restriction under paragraph 6 of this article shall not apply to electronic music listening spaces and nightclubs.

7. (Deleted – 7.4.2021, No 158).

8. Camp-type gatherings, regardless of their organisational form and venue, shall be prohibited.

9. Sports tournaments and training sessions for teenagers under the age of 18 shall be allowed only on the basis of the preliminary PCR testing of all participants.

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

Ordinance No 158 of 7 April 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 7.4.2021

Ordinance No 359 of 15 July 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 15.7.2021

Ordinance No 410 of 13 August 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 13.8.2021

Ordinance No 422 of 24 August 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 24.8.2021

Ordinance No 450 of 7 September 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 7.9.2021

Ordinance No 468 of 15 September 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 15.9.2021

Ordinance No 511 of 19 October 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 19.10.2021

Ordinance No 537 of 18 November 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 18.11.2021

Ordinance No 562 of 30 November 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 30.11.2021

Ordinance No 645 of 31 December 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 31.11.2021

Ordinance No 1 of 6 January 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 6.1.2022

Ordinance No 12 of 14 January 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 14.1.2022

Ordinance No 53 of 4 February 2022 of the Government of Georgia – website, 4.2.2022

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.), including to mass entertainment events.

1^1. (Deleted – 9.9.2020, No 566).

1^2. It shall be prohibited to transfer/concede a place/area to a person for a fee or free of charge for the purpose provided for in paragraph 1 of this article. A transferor/concessionaire of the place/area is obliged to take all reasonable measures (including by imposing a specific restriction by the contract) in order to prevent violation of the norm specified in paragraph 1 of this article when using the place/area. In addition, an owner of the space is obliged, immediately after receiving information about the violation of paragraph one of this article, to immediately inform the relevant services.

1^3. If the measure specified in paragraph 1 of this article is accompanied by a 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 for the Prevention of the Spread of the Novel Coronavirus (COVID - 19) on the Workplace, or if such types of events are organised, the Labor Conditions Inspection Service, in coordination with the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Georgia, shall be authorised to temporarily restrict the use of the space and / or item on the facility (including the use of the facility or its specific place, equipment and / or other item, which is directly related to the taking of measures for prevention of the spread of the virus), and in the case of repeated identification of the critical non-compliance during the holding of the event provided for by paragraph 1 of this article, to limit the use of the space/item on the facility and transfer the case to the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Georgia for the purpose of initiating criminal proceedings in accordance with the current legislation. Unauthorised entry to the facility shall be prohibited, also it shall be prohibited to remove the seal or to ignore the requirements imposed on the facility by the Labor Conditions Inspection Service.

1^4. From 14 January 2022 until 06:00 of 16 January 2022, the restriction under paragraph 1 of this article shall not apply to electronic music listening spaces and nightclubs.

2. All persons are obliged to wear face masks in closed and open spaces. 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 may also 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

Ordinance No 158 of 7 April 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 7.4.2021

Ordinance No 294 of 22 June 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 22.6.2021

Ordinance No 407 of 11 August 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 11.8.2021

Ordinance No 410 of 13 August 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 13.8.2021

Ordinance No 417 of 17 August 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 17.8.2021

Ordinance No 645 of 31 December 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 31.11.2021

Ordinance No 1 of 6 January 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 6.1.2022

Ordinance No 12 of 14 January 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 14.1.2022

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) (deleted – 18.3.2021, N109);

c) (deleted – 26.2.2021, No78);

d) (deleted – 23.3.2021, N 122);

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 and spa centres shall be allowed only on the basis of the inspection conducted directly by the Labour 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 opinion issued on th implementation of the recommendations given by the Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia.

1^3. (Deleted – 4.2.2022, No 53).

1^4. Activities of electronic music listening spaces and nightclubs shall be allowed from 14 January 2022 to 06:00 of 16 January 2022 in accordance with the recommendations determined by 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.

2. (Deleted – 28.5.2020, No 337).

2^1. (Deleted – 4.2.2022, No 53).

2^2. Guests / visitors shall be allowed on the closed (gondola type) ropes of the mountain resorts on the basis of a positive opinion issued on the implementation of the recommendations of the Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia.

2^3. (Deleted – 4.2.2022, No 53).

2^4. (Deleted – 4.2.2022, No 53).

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 1approved 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. The operation of food facilities/restaurants/bars/cafes shall be allowed in the form of hosting guests both in the open and closed space, and the delivery service (the so-called 'delivery' service) and product take away (the so-called 'Take Away' and 'Drive') shall be also allowed. During the operation of food facilities/restaurants/bars/cafes the recommendations of the Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia shall be observed.

4^2. The operation of food facilities/restaurants/bars/cafes in shopping malls shall be allowed by hosting guests both in the open and closed space, also delivery service (the so-called 'delivery' service) and product take away (the so-called 'Take Away' and 'Drive') shall be allowed.

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. It shall be allowed to operate any type of gambling and prize winning game facilities.

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 if 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 activity.

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/ბ 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 175 of 16 April 2021 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 175 of the Government of Georgia of 16 April 2021 on Determining Days Off shall not apply to persons supervised by the National Bank (except for accountable enterprises that which are not persons under the supervision of the National Bank under any other sign) 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 CrossWorld 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

Ordinance No 176 of 16 April 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 16.4.2021

Ordinance No 219 of 17 May 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 17.5.2021

Ordinance No 241 of 31 May 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 31.5.2021

Ordinance No 294 of 22 June 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 22.6.2021

Ordinance No 410 of 13 August 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 13.8.2021

Ordinance No 422 of 24 August 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 24.8.2021

Ordinance No 499 of 6 October 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 6.10.2021

Ordinance No 562 of 30 November 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 30.11.2021

Ordinance No 614 of 28 December 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 29.12.2021

Ordinance No 645 of 31 December 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 31.11.2021

Ordinance No 1 of 6 January 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 6.1.2022

Ordinance No 12 of 14 January 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 14.1.2022

Ordinance No 53 of 4 February 2022 of the Government of Georgia – website, 4.2.2022

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 for by legislation for international defence procedures.

2^1. The Minister of Culture, Sport and Youth of Georgia shall be authorised to establish the rules and conditions for the administration of the activities of the legal entities under public law operating under the governance of the Ministry of Culture, Sport and Youth of Georgia, as well as the rules and conditions related to the legal entities under public law other than those established by the legislation.

2^2. The Minister of Culture, Sport and Youth of the Autonomous Republic of Adjara shall be authorised to establish the rules and conditions for the administration of the activities of the legal entities under public law operating under the governance of the Ministry of Culture, Sport and Youth of the Autonomous Republic of Adjara, as well as the rules and conditions related to the legal entities under public law other than those established by the legislation.

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 175 of 16 April 2021 of the Government of Georgia on Determining Days Off shall not apply, if the fulfilment 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 175 of 16 April 2021 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

Ordinance No 176 of 16 April 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 16.4.2021

Ordinance No 293 of 22 June 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 22.6.2021

Ordinance No 402 of 10 August 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 11.8.2021

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 an area 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 shall, 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, and in paragraphs 4^1 and 4^5 of this article:

a) not be subject to isolation, however, a strong recommendation to wear the face mask shall be given within 10 calendar days after ceasing the high-risk contact (including when being exposed to a low-risk environment):

a.a.) in the case of being vaccinated with booster dose;

a.b.) 14-90 days after receiving the second dose of primary vaccination;

a.c.) within 60 days of being recovered from Covid infection;

b) be subject to strict isolation for 8 days, however, a strong recommendation to use the face mask shall be given for the following 9 - 12 calendar days:

b.a.) in the case of non-vaccinated persons;

b.b.) in the case of persons who are not fully vaccinated;

b.c.) 1-14 days after receiving the second dose of primary vaccination;

b.d.) in the case of duration for more than 90 days of receiving the 2nd dose of primary vaccination and in persons who have not received a booster dose;

b.c.) during the period following 60 days of being recovered from Covid infection.

4^1. Persons arriving from a foreign country shall be subject to isolation (self-isolation / quarantine) according to the following procedures:

a) in the case of international air movement, any person arriving from a foreign country (regardless of citizenship), if he / she submits at the border a document certifying the full course (two doses, and in the case of Johnson&Johnson vaccination – single dose) of any type of covidvaccine, and a foreign national who has had COVID-infection for the period of the last 100 days (tested positive by a PCR test) and recovered, if he/she submits at the border a document certifying vaccination with a single dose of any vaccine with the emergency use authorisation granted by WHO (regardless of the sequence of infection and vaccination; where not less than 14 days have elapsed after the vaccination), shall not be subject to the restrictions set forth in this Ordinance;

a^1) (deleted – 8.10.2021, No 500);

a^2) in the case of international land and maritime movement, persons provided for by paragraph 1^1 of Annex 2 of the Plan approved by Decree N 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 the Emergency Response Plan for the Cases of Novel Coronavirus Disease, if they submit at the border a document certifying the full course (two doses, and in the case of Johnson&Johnson vaccination – single dose) of any type of covidvaccine and a negative result of PCR test (including the citizens of Georgia provided for by sub-paragraph (a^3)) in the last 72 hours before the visit to Georgia, and foreign nationals who have had COVID-infection for the period of the last 100 days (tested positive by a PCR test) and recovered, if they submit at the border a document certifying vaccination with a single dose of any vaccine with the emergency use authorisation granted by WHO (regardless of the sequence of infection and vaccination; where not less than 14 days have elapsed after the vaccination), and a negative result of PCR test in the last 72 hours before the visit to Georgia, shall not be subject to restrictions provided for by this Rule;

a^3) during the crossing of the land border when arriving to Georgia from any country, the citizens of Georgia who have completed a full course of covidvaccine shall be exempt from the obligation to submit at the border a negative PCR test result conducted in the last 72 hours prior to their visit to Georgia.

b) a citizen of Georgia 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-paragraphs(a), (a^2) and (b) of this paragraph and Article 11^5 of this Ordinance, shall present a document confirming the PCR test conducted within the last 72 hours at the border checkpoints and ensure PCR test at their own expense on the 3rd day after crossing the border.

d) (deleted – 23.4.2021, No 184);

e) in the case of international air, land and maritime movement, any person under the age of 10 (regardless of nationality) who has arrived from a foreign country shall be exempted from the obligation to submit a negative PCR test performed in the last 72 hours prior to the visit to Georgia, and to perform the PCR test on the third day after crossing the border.

f) (deleted – 17.1.2022, No 14);

4^2. Persons placed in quarantine under paragraphs 4^1 and 4^5 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.

4^2. Persons placed in quarantine under paragraphs 4^1 and 4^5 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.

4^5. Persons from the occupied territories of Georgia shall be subject to mandatory testing in accordance with the procedures set forth in Decree No 975 of 15 June 2020 of the Government of Georgia. In the case of a negative test result, the persons from the occupied territories of Georgia will be allowed in the territory controlled by the central government of Georgia without quarantine measures. In the case of a positive test result and/or symptoms characteristic of coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2), they shall be subject to mandatory quarantine, which will be left in the case of a negative test result, in accordance with the established procedures.

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

Ordinance No 169 of 13 April 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 13.4.2021

Ordinance No 170 of 14 April 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 14.4.2021

Ordinance No 178 of 16 April 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 16.4.2021

Ordinance No 184 of 23 April 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 23.4.2021

Ordinance No 241 of 31 May 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 31.5.2021

Ordinance No 292 of 16 June 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 16.6.2021

Ordinance No 407 of 11 August 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 11.8.2021

Ordinance No 500 of 8 October 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 8.10.2021

Ordinance No 554 of 29 November 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 29.11.2021

Ordinance No 555 of 29 November 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 29.11.2021

Ordinance No 14 of 17 January 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 17.1.2022

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 Visitors for Carrying out Business/Labour Activities in Georgia.

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-listed international 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, in particular:

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, submit 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, or foreign nationals who have had COVID-infection for the period of the last 100 days (tested positive by a PCR test) and recovered, if they submit at the border a document certifying vaccination with a single dose of any vaccine with the emergency use authorisation granted by WHO (regardless of the sequence of infection and vaccination, where not less than 14 days have elapsed after the vaccination);

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.

5^2. (Deleted – 8.10.2021, No 500).

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

Ordinance No 169 of 13 April 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 13.4.2021

Ordinance No 170 of 14 April 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 14.4.2021

Ordinance No 407 of 11 August 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 11.8.2021

Ordinance No 444 of 31 August 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 31.8.2021

Ordinance No 500 of 8 October 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 8.10.2021

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 LEPL 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 a public 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 day in 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 Influenza and 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 person on the database of the persons using the insurance services, provided by the LEPL Insurance 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/ნ 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 of termination of disability status as 1 December 2020 and the subsequent period, shall retain legal force until 1 April 2022. 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. (Deleted – 31.12.2021, No 640).

5^1. Until 1 April 2022, within the scope of Ordinance No 262 of 31March 2014 of the Government of Georgia 'On the Approval of the Target State Programme for the Facilitation of the Improvement of the Demographic State', the Agency shall not carry out the verification (for the purpose of confirming the fact of actual residence of beneficiary families) of the actual residence of beneficiary families specified in Article 5(1) of the State Programme approved by the same Ordinance, and shall issue the monetary social assistance in accordance with the information provided for in the database administered by the Agency within the scope of the said Programme, except for the exceptions established under the same Programme (in accordance with the database maintained by LEPL Public Services Development Agency: death, termination of citizenship and / or in accordance with the database maintained by the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Georgia – the border crossing).

6. (Deleted – 31.12.2021, No 640).

6^1. For registration and / or additional administration of 'the living allowance' in the Unified Database of Socially Vulnerable Families (the Database), until 1 April 2022:

a) repeated verification of the social and economic status of families registered in the Database, regardless of the rating score, shall not be carried out at the initiative of the Agency and / or on the basis of the information received and / or discovered (identified) from various sources within the scope of competence and authority provided for by Ordinance No 126 of 24 April 2010 of the Government of Georgia 'On Measures to Reduce Poverty and Improve Social Protection of the Population in the Country', except for the case where the initial or repeated verification of the social and economic status of the family is requested directly by the family concerned;

b) in respect of families with a rating score of less than 120,001 registered in the Database, the Agency shall continue to provide monetary social assistance – the living allowance, regardless of the information received and / or discovered (identified) from various sources within the scope of competence and authority provided for by Ordinance No 126 of 24 April 2010 of the Government of Georgia 'On Measures to Reduce Poverty and Improve Social Protection of the Population in the Country' and Ordinance No145 of 28 July 2006 'On Social Assistance', except for the case where the repeated verification of the social and economic status of the family is requested directly by the family concerned;

c) in the case provided for by sub-paragraph (b) of this paragraph (continuous issuance of the living allowance), the amount of living allowance shall be determined in accordance with the data provided for in the database (number of family members and the rating score), except for the death of a family member(s) or placement in a specialised / penitentiary institution or foster care or staying outside the country for more than three consecutive months, in which case, on the basis of information received from the competent authority, the living allowance shall be automatically recalculated with the deduction of the amount belonging to the said family member(s); in the case of the death and placement in a penitentiary institution – in the case of the repeated placement in a specialised institution or foster care after exclusion of the family member – from the month of the receipt of the information by the Agency (if the amount has been transferred from the following month), and in the case of border crossing – from the month following the expiry of the period of three months (the month of border crossing shall be deemed the first month from the start of counting the months) of border crossing;

d) 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, the border crossing), in the case of return / addition of the excluded member(s), the Agency, based on the application of the family, shall re-examine the social and economic status of the family, otherwise the living allowance shall continue to be issued as per re-calculated amount, minus the amount belonging to the family member(s).

e) if the family obtains the right to receive a living allowance as a result of the study / assessment of the social and economic status the Agency is obliged to carry out the procedure for obtaining the living allowance automatically, without the visit by the authorised person of the Agency to the family;

f) The Agency shall not be authorised to terminate the registration of a family in the Database where there are grounds provided for by Article 8 (7)(e) of the procedures approved by Ordinance No 126 of 24 April 2010 of the Government of Georgia 'On Measures to Reduce Poverty and Improve Social Protection of the Population in the Country'. Accordingly, the rating score shall be assigned in accordance with the data in the Database;

g) The Agency shall not be authorised to terminate the registration of a family in the Database if the family violates the obligations

under Article 6 (1) (d) of the procedures approved by Ordinance No 126 of 24 April 2010 of the Government of Georgia 'On Measures to Reduce Poverty and Improve Social Protection of the Population in the Country', also in the cases provided for by Article 14 of the 'Procedures for Assessing the Social and Economic Status of Socially Vulnerable Families and for Registration and Referral of Information on Children Living in These Families', approved by Order No 141 / ნ of 20 May 2010 of the Minister of Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia, except for the cases where the family does not allow the authorised person of the Agency to view the property / documents or the family refuses to fill in the declaration / child's declaration and / or registration in the database, or if not all family members have the documents required by law to fill in the declaration, or the family has applied to the Agency for the re-assessment due to the change of address and the social agent's visit(s) to the new address confirms that the family does not reside at the address;

h) The Agency shall be authorised, within the scope of Ordinance No 145 of 28 July 2006 of the Government of Georgia 'On Social Assistance' and Ordinance No 262 of 31March 2014 of the Government of Georgia 'On the Approval of the Target State Programme for the Facilitation of the Improvement of the Demographic State', for the purposes of Programme administration, the data of the electronic database of LEPL Public Services Development Agency under the state control of the Ministry of Justice of Georgia shall be deemed the document equivalent to the birth certificate of the child(children), which shall be provided to the Agency by the Public Service Development Agency, in a mutually agreed form;

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 'State Programme for Social Rehabilitation and Child Care' of the relevant year, the 'Early Childhood Development Support Sub-programme', 'Child Rehabilitation/Habitation 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', the service may take a decision on the suspension of the provision of services, which shal be notified in writing to the Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia 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

Ordinance No 193 of 28 April 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 28.4.2021

Ordinance No 313 of 30 June 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 30.6.2021

Ordinance No 373 of 26 July 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 27.7.2021

Ordinance No 640 of 31 December 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 31.12.2021

Ordinance No 24 of 18 January 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 18.1.2022

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;

2^1. Incomplete uploading and/or uploading by violating the terms, or failure to upload to the Ministry portal – COVMOB.MOH.GOV.GE of the statistical information determined by paragraph 2^4 of Order No 01-467/ო of 19 September 2020 of the Minister of IDPs from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia, on the Prevention of the Spread of Possible Cases of Infection (COVID-19) Caused by the Novel Coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2) in Georgia (epidemic, pandemic, epidemic outbreak) and Mobilisation of Medical Facilities to be Prepared to Respond to Suspicious and / or Confirmed Cases, shall entail the imposition of penalty under the acting legislation.

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.

4^3. Given the epidemiological situation, in case of urgency, to manage the increased number of suspected and confirmed cases of COVID-19, the space of non-medical facilities shall be used together with the medical institutions involved in the mobilisation

scheme.

4^4. Mobilisation of relevant medical personnel and provision of necessary equipment for the management of patients in the space specified in paragraph 4^3 of this article shall be carried out by the relevant mobilised medical institution, non-entrepreneurial (non-commercial) legal person called the Medical Holding of Georgia or an implementer, in accordance with the instructions of the Ministry.

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.

5^1. For the purposes of this article, any inpatient institution throughout the country, which, in accordance with Ordinance No 385 of the Government of Georgia of 17 December 2010 on the Approval of the Regulations on the Rules and Conditions for Issuing a Licence for Medical Activities and a Permit for an Inpatient Institution, holds the licence and permit of the inpatient institution in the resuscitation or emergency medical service (EMERGENCY) service, upon the instruction of the Ministry, is obliged to organise on the basis of the institution, appropriate inoculation cabinets and brigades for COVID-19 vaccination, in accordance with the established rule.

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 and/or non-medical 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 within the organisation under the Ministry system/management, 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/paediatricians/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, the right to conducting vaccinations shall be given to nurses and any entity of independent medical practice irrespective of the specialty and the competence permitted by the state certificate.

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.

9^1. In view of the epidemiological situation, in order to manage the increased number of confirmed cases of COVID-19, the LEPL Emergency Situations Coordination and Urgent Assistance Center shall be allowed to temporarily transfer the ambulance vehicle(s) on its balance to the non-entrepreneurial (non-commercial) legal person called the Medical Holding of Georgia for temporary use, as per instructions of the Ministry, for the transportation of COVID-19 suspicious and / or confirmed patients to the clinics under its management.

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 account national 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 cadastre 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 rule of 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

Ordinance No 168 of 8 April 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 9.4.2021

Ordinance No 169 of 13 April 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 13.4.2021

Ordinance No 268 of 9June 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 9.6.2021

Ordinance No 417 of 17 August 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 17.8.2021

Article 19 – Medical and pharmaceutical activities

1. (Deleted – 7.2.2022, No 55).

2. (Deleted – 7.2.2022, No 55).

3. (Deleted – 7.2.2022, No 55).

4. For the purposes of the National Plan for the Introduction of the Covid-19 Vaccine in Georgia, a pharmaceutical product for preventive vaccination against the infection (COVID-19) caused by the Novel Coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2) shall be used, which has the authorisation or pre-qualification for use (including emergency use) granted by the World Health Organization or any strict regulatory body (SRA) recognised by it; or on which an application for authorisation (including emergency use) or prequalification has been submitted to the World Health Organization, its dossier is under consideration and, in addition, has already received a positive opinion from the World Health Organization's Strategic Advisory Group of Experts on Immunization (SAGE), it also has authorisation for use (including emergency use) granted by national regulatory bodies of at least 20 other countries, and at the same time, the vaccine has been used for vaccination of 10 times more persons than the target population worldwide.

5. In order to prevent the mass spread of the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19), to reduce the possible threat to the life and health of the population of the country and to take further measures to manage the epidemiological situation:

a) for non-commercial purposes, in the presence of special state interests, based on the decision of the Clinical Group approved by Order No 01-101/ო of the Minister of 16 March 2020 on the Establishment of a Clinical Group for the Management of Infection (COVID-19) Caused by the Novel Coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2), where requested by the Ministry, the LEPL State Regulation Agency of Medical Activities shall be authorised to issue an Emergency Use Authorisation for a pharmaceutical product (s) intended for the treatment of the infection caused by the Novel Coronavirus (SARS-CoV-2), which has been granted an Emergency Use Authorisation by the World Health Organization or the US Food and Drug Administration (FDA) or the European Medicines Agency (EMA);

b) the import of a pharmaceutical product(s), for which an Emergency Use Authorisation has already been issued, shall be carried out in accordance with procedures and conditions provided for by the Law of Georgia on Medicines and Pharmaceutical Activities (Article 11^{13}(h)), and Order No 327/ნ of the Minister of Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia of 13 October 2009.

6. The Emergency Use Authorisation issued by the LEPL State Regulation Agency of Medical Activities shall be temporarily suspended or revoked based on the relevant decision (s) / recommendation (s) made by the World Health Organization, FDA and / or EMA.

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

Ordinance No 228 of 19 May 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 19.5.2020

Ordinance No 476 of 24 September 2021 of the Government of Georgia – website, 27.9.2021

Ordinance No 55 of 7 February 2022 of the Government of Georgia – website, 7.2.2022

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, by their own decision, within the framework of measures for ensuring readiness for the prevention of coronavirus 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 of preventive 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.

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

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