Ordinance No 322

of the Government of Georgia

23 May 2020

Tbilisi

On the Approval of Isolation and Quarantine Rules

Article 1

The attached Isolation and Quarantine Rules shall be approved on the basis of Article 45^3(1) of the Law of Georgia on Public Health, Article 5(c) and Article 6(2)(c) of the Law of Georgia on Personal Data Protection, the Law of Georgia on Healthcare, the Law of Georgia on Social Assistance, the Law of Georgia on Public Procurement, Article 30 of the Law of Georgia on State Budget of Georgia of 2020 and Article 6 of the Law of Georgia on Structure, Powers and Rules of Operation of the Government of Georgia.

Article 2

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

Article 3

Regulations provided for by Decree No 164 of 28 January 2020 of the Government of Georgia on the Approval of Measures to Prevent the Possible Spread of the Novel Coronavirus in Georgia and an Emergency Response Plan for the Cases of Novel Coronavirus Diseases, which do not contravene rules approved by this Ordinance, shall compriseanintegral 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 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. The measures provided for by this Ordinance shall not apply to the election campaign (canvassing).

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

Article 2 – Regulation of movement

1. International air, land and maritime movement shall be suspended.

2.Direct international regular flights shall be suspended.This restriction shall not apply to flights where a foreign aircraft lands in Georgia without passengers for the purpose of taking passengers from Georgia.Moreover, this restriction shall not apply to cargo, governmental and military flights; flights to be carried out for outpatient care, emergency and technical landing purposes; flights to be carried out for specific aerial works and search and rescue activities; flights to be carried out for training purposes within the territorial waters of Georgia by a helicopter attached 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.

2^1. The restriction set forth in paragraph 2 of this article shall not apply:

a) as from 13 July 2020, to direct scheduled international flights between Tbilisi Shota Rustaveli International Airport (ICAO code UGTB) and the following airports:

a.a) Munich (ICAO code EDDM);

a.b) Paris (ICAO code LFPG);

a.c) Riga (ICAO code EVRA);

b) as from 1 November 2020, to direct scheduled international flightsbetweenTbilisi Shota Rustaveli International Airport (ICAO code UGTB) and the following airports:

b.a) Doha (ICAO codeOTHH);

b.b) Warsaw (ICAO codeEPWA);

b.c) Athens (ICAO codeLGAV);

b.d) Amsterdam (ICAO codeEHAM);

b.e) Vienna (ICAO codeLOWW);

b.f) Berlin (ICAO codeEDDB);

b.g) Milan (ICAO codeLIME);

c) as from 1 October 2020, to direct scheduled international flightsbetweenDavid the Builder Kutaisi International Airport (ICAO codeUGKO) and Riga International Airport (ICAO codeEVRA);

d) as from 1 November 2020, to direct scheduled international flightsbetweenDavid the Builder Kutaisi International Airport (ICAO codeUGKO) and the following airports:

d.a) Katowice (ICAO code EPKT);

d.b) Vilnius (ICAO codeEYVI);

d.c) Dortmund (ICAO codeEDLW).

2^2. The decision on the number frequency of flightsshall be made individually by LEPL the Civil Aviation Agency, in agreement with the Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia.

3.An application for non-regular (charter) flights shall be reviewed individually by the LEPL Civil Aviation Agency in agreement with the Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia.

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

5. (Deleted – 15.7.2020, No 440).

6. (Deleted – 28. 5.2020, No 337).

6^1. In order for the population to remain at their places of residence, the movement of people on foot and by a vehicle, as well as their presence at public places, shall be prohibited in Tbilisi, Batumi, Kutaisi, Rustavi, Gori, Poti, and Zugdidi, from 22:00 to 05:00.

[6^1. In order for the population to remain at their places of residence, the movement of people on foot and by a vehicle, as well as their presence at public places, shall be prohibited throughout the entire territory of the country from 21:00 to 05:00. The said restriction shall be valid until 21:00 of 31 December 2020. ***(Shall become effective from 28 November 2020)***]

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

a) international cargo transportation and local cargo transportation;

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

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

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

e) for the period from 22:00 on 20 November 2020 to 05:00 on 22 November, 2020.

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

7. The movement of more than three persons (including a driver) shall be prohibited while providing transportation services by taxi (M1 category).In addition, a driver shall be equipped with a face mask and passengers shall take seats behind the driver in accordance with recommendations issued by the Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia.

7^1. During transportation by public transport, including by metropolitan railway and cable transport, all persons (including a driver) shall be equipped with face masks.

[7^1. The following shall be stopped:

a) transportation of passengers by railway, except for official railway traffic, within the framework of which, in order to smoothly carry out freight transportation, employees shall move / be transferred from the place of residence to the place of work and vice versa in accordance with the schedule developed by JSC Georgian Railway, in agreement with the Operations Headquarters.

b) scheduled intercity transportation of passengers by vehicles of M2 (the so-called minibus) and M3 (the so-called bus) categories;

c) the functioning of public transport in Tbilisi municipality and in the administrative borders of Batumi, Kutaisi, Rustavi, Gori, Zugdidi, Poti, Telavi municipalities, including the functioning of the metro in Tbilisi municipality. ***(Shali become effective from 28 November 2020)***]

8. (Deleted – 20.11.2020, No 697).

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

8^2. (Deleted – 20.11.2020, No 697).

9.For the purpose of preventing the possible spread of the novel coronavirus (COVID-19), the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Georgia shall process information on the placement of passengers arriving in Georgia from foreign countries; in particular, the Ministry shall collect information on flight numbers, data on motor vehicles, co-passengers, contact details and the date of leaving the infected area, and shall share such information withthe 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 for the purpose of exercising powers for the prevention of the disease.

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

Article 3 – Regulation of the educational process

1. The provision of early education services and/or pre-school education services, and/or school readiness programmes shall be suspended. 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 Georgiaon the Approval of Recommendations for the Prevention of the Spread of the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) at Workplaces.

1^1. The educational institutions may carry out 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 Labour Conditions Inspection Department of the Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia directly or with the assistance of the agencies determined by Article 9(2) and (3) of these Rules.

2. Higher educational institutions shall be authorised to provide practical/laboratory work and to conduct examinations non-remotely (physically), 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.

2^1. An entrant/candidate for the Master's degree/student/applicant registered to participate in the Unified National/Joint Masters' Exams/Student Grant Competition/specialised exam and in the testing to be conducted for the purpose of determining skills in a specialised subject and competency,and who is in the quarantine zone or, after arriving in the country must move to quarantine in accordance with the rules established by this Ordinance, shall be subject to Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) test prior to admission to an exam/competition/testing and afterwards, repeatedly, once in 72 hours, in the period between the exams, a person concerned shall return to the quarantine zone.

2^2. LEPL National Assessment and Examinations Center under the governance of the Ministry of Education, Science, Culture and Sports of Georgia shall provide information on persons provided for by paragraph 2^1 of this article, no later than 72 hours before the start of the exam/competition/testing, in a mutually agreed form, to Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia, which, in turn, shall provide the information to LEPL L. Sakvarelidze National Center for Disease Control and Public Health.

3. (Deleted – 3.7.2020, No 410).

3^1. The activities of vocational education institutions and special vocational education institutions shall be permitted to be carried out as a result of the inspection conducted by the Labour Conditions Inspection Department of 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, based on the positive conclusion issued by the Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia on the compliance with the recommendations at workplaces.

4.The restriction provided for by this article shall not apply to the system of the Ministry of Defence of Georgia.

5. (Deleted – 3.7.2020, No 410).

6. An educational institution shall have the right, 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.).

7. An educational institution shall have the right to transfer all the persons employed at the educational institutionto 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'.

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

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Recommendations for the Prevention of the Spread of the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) at Workplaces.

2. The educational institutions may carry out 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 Labour Conditions Inspection Department of the Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia directly or with the assistance of the agencies determined by Article 9(2) and (3) of these Rules.

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4. In Tbilisi, Batumi, Kutaisi, Rustavi, Gori, Zugdidi, Poti, Telavi general education, vocational, special vocational and higher education institutions may carry out educational activities only using various forms of distance learning / communication. Paragraph 3 of this article shall apply to the medical education programmes that are carried out in Tbilisi, Batumi, Kutaisi, Rustavi, Gori, Zugdidi, Poti, Telavi by higher education institutions.

5. The activities of vocational education institutions and special vocational education institutions shall be permitted to be carried out as a result of the inspection conducted by the Labour Conditions Inspection Department of 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, based on the positive conclusion issued by the Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia on the compliance with the recommendations at workplaces.

6. An educational institution is obliged, 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.).

7. An educational institution is obliged 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'.

8. Trainings, conferences, seminars may be held only remotely. The restriction shall not apply to sailors' training centers recognised by the LEPL - Maritime Transport Agency of the Ministry of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia and the mandatory trainings to be conducted by them on the basis of the Law of Georgia on the Education and Certification of Sailors. ***(Shall become effective from 28 November 2020)***]

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

Article 4 –Restriction of cultural and sports events

1. The conduct of cultural events, except for events related to museum activities and those related to rehearsals in closed spaces, and cultural events to be conducted in the open area, shall be permitted only in a remote mode.

2.All types of mass sports events, including competitions, trainings and coaching processes/assemblies, in closed spaces, and all types of trainings, seminars and/or conferences related to sport shall be prohibited except where such events are conducted in a remote mode.

2^1. The measures referred to in paragraphs 1 and 2 of this article shall be taken, and the attendance in the open space shall be ensured 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, by assembling of not more than 200 natural persons.

3.The restriction provided for by paragraph 2 of this article shall not apply to training and coaching measures taken in the Defence Forces of Georgia and in law enforcement agencies.

4. The restriction provided for by paragraph 1 of this article shall not apply to entertainment activities in the open space.

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

[**Article 4 – Restriction of cultural and sports events**

1. Spectators shall not be allowed to attend any type of cultural event.

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

3. The activities of sports, art and cultural groups / studios shall be prohibited. ***(Shall become effective from 28 November 2020)***]

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

Article 5 – Regulation ofassemblies

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

1^1. (Deleted – 9.9.2020, No 566).

2.When assembling in a closed space, all persons are obliged to wear face masks.For the purposes of this article,a public space shall be any indoor oroutdoor area, unless it is a space used by individuals for residential purposes.

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

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

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

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

Article 6 – Regulation ofeconomicactivities

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

a) organising/conducting sports, cultural and entertainment events;

b) (deleted – 6.7.2020, No 414);

c) the activities of nightclubs;

d) the operation of the restaurants/bars/cafes from 22:00 to 07:00 (this restriction shall not apply to the delivery services provided by such institutions);

e) the provision of early education services and/or pre-school education services, and/or school readiness programmes.

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

a) the operation of ski tracks and ski lifts;

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

c) providing early education services and / or pre-school and education services and / or carrying out a school readiness programme;

d) gym / saunas and other spa treatments, as well as swimming pool activities.

(Shall become effective from 28 November 2020)];

1^1. Paragraph 1(a) of this article shall not apply to museum activities and those related to rehearsals in the closed space, sport events and cultural activities to be conducted in the open space and the functioning of entertainment/amusement parks which shall be carried out 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.

[1^1. (Deleted – 26.11.2020, No 699) ***(Shall become effective from 28 November 2020)***]

2. (Deleted – 28.5.2020, No 337).

[2^1. It shall be permissible to operate restaurants / bars / cafes, gyms and swimming pools in hotels and similar accommodation only to serve guests of the hotel and similar accommodation. ***(Shall become effective from 28 November 2020)***]

3. (Deleted – 28.5.2020, No 337).

[3^1. In Tbilisi, Batumi, Kutaisi, Rustavi, Gori, Zugdidi, Poti, Telavi, in Bakuriani borough of Borjomi municipality, in Gudauri village of Kazbegi municipality, in Goderdzi resort in Khulo municipality and in Mestia borough of Mestia municipality, any goods / products shall be sold through wholesale and retail sale, remotely. Such restriction shall not apply:

a) sale of food / animal feed, animal, animal and plant products, household chemicals and hygiene, veterinary preparations, pesticides and agrochemicals, seed and planting materials;

b) supply of electrical communication, electricity, natural gas, water, gasoline, diesel, liquefied gas;

c) sale of medical goods, pharmaceutical products

d) newspaper kiosks. ***(Shall become effective from 28 November 2020)]***

4. (Deleted – 28.5.2020, No 337).

[4^1. The operation of food facilities / restaurants / bars / cafes shall be allowed only with delivery service (the so-called 'delivery' service) and product delivery (the so-called 'Take Away' and 'Drive'). ***(Shall become effective from 28 November 2020)***]

5. (Deleted – 28.5.2020, No 337).

[5^1. In Tbilisi, Batumi, Kutaisi, Rustavi, Gori, Zugdidi, Poti, Telavi, Bakuriani, Borjomi Municipality, Kazbegi village, Gudauri village, Khulo municipality, Goderdzi resort and Mestia municipality, open and closed markets / market activities shall be allowed only remotely. The restriction shall not apply to activities of agrarian markets / fairs. ***(Shall become effective from 28 November 2020)]***

6. Providing gambling services andprize winning games shall be permitted only in electronic forms, which restriction shall not apply to promotional draws.

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

a) for the purpose of arranging quarantine areas;

b) on the basis of the positive opinion with regard to the compliance with the recommendations of the Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia as a result of inspection carried out by the Labour Conditions Inspection Department of 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. The activities of entities conducting sports and recreation procedures/actions shall be permitted as a result of the inspection carried out by the Labour Conditions Inspection Department of 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, based on the positive conclusion on the compliance with the recommendations issued by the Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia.

[7^1. Hotels in Bakuriani, Borjomi Municipality, Gudauri village of Kazbegi Municipality, Goderdzi resort in Khulo Municipality and Mestia borough in Mestia Municipality shall be allowed to operate only for quarantine areas. ***(Shall become effective from 28 November 2020)***]

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. If, in the process of carrying out the economic activities permitted under paragraph 1 of this article, novel coronavirus (COVID-19) cases are identified and/or critical non-compliance with the requirements of the order of the Minister of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia on the Approval of Recommendations to Prevent the Spread of the Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) at Workplaces is detected, the Labour Conditions Inspection Department of the Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia shall be authorised to suspend such economic activities.

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

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

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 toobserve the regime established by law for probationers and parolees, as well asthe appearanceat a time and place determined by a probation officer in accordance with rules other than those established by legislation.

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

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

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

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

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

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

5. Public institutions shall provide transfer of employees in a remote mode, except when it is necessary to be physically present / announced in the service by a person with specific position / official. ***(Shall become effective from 28 November 2020)***]

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

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.

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 administrative and legal support of the Operations Headquarters shall be provided by the Office of the National Security Council.

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. 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 Department of the Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia ('the Labour Conditions Inspection Department') 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.

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 Department.

4.The Labour Conditions Inspection Department, 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 Department 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 Department 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 anunderstandable 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.

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

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

Article 10 – General provisions

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

f) comply with sanitary and epidemiological standards.

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

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

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

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

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

4^1. Persons arriving from a foreign country, except for the persons determined by Article 11^5 of these Rules, shall be subject to isolation for a period of 8 days according to the following procedures:

a) a person arriving from a foreign country shall present at the border checkpoint a document certifying a PCR test conducted for the last 72 hours before entering Georgia, after which he/she shall be transferred into self-isolation;

b) a person who has not undergone a PCR test shall be transferred into a quarantine area.

4^2. Persons placed in quarantine under paragraph 4^1 of this article shall be subject to a PCR test according to the procedure established byDecree No 975 of 15 June 2020 of the Government of Georgia on Approval of the Priority List of Persons Subject to the Mandatory Testing forthe 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 LEPL Emergency Situation Coordination and Urgent Assistance Centre.

5.Persons having arrived from foreign countries shall be subject to thermal screening at border points (only in the case of arrival through the International Airports of Georgia), as well as (except for the cases determined by paragraph 5^1 of this article) to in-depth interviews by the epidemiologists of LEPL Revenue Service, and to registration through the completion of a Registration Card of a Traveller Arriving from an Infected Area (Annex No 9) approved by Ordinance No 454 of the Government of Georgia of 16 September 2019 on the Approval of the Technological Scheme for Carrying out Sanitary and Quarantine Control in the Border Line and Customs Control Areas of Georgia and the Procedure for Carrying out Sanitary and Quarantine Control, which shall also constitute a decision to place such persons in isolation.

5^1. The following persons shall be exempted from the procedures (except for thermal screening) determined by paragraph 5 of this article:

a) foreign visitors entering Georgia for the purpose of carrying out business/labour activities as provided for by Article 11^2 of these Rules;

b) persons determined 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, who shall complete a special electronic questionnaire before crossing the state border of Georgia.

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.

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 forthe 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, if necessary, with the escort of the relevant service of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Georgia.

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 anauthorised 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 placenatural 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 execution of Annex 9 approved by Ordinance No 454 of 16 September 2019 of the Government of Georgia on the Approval

of Technological Scheme for Carrying out Sanitary and Quarantine Control in the Border Line and Customs Control Areas of Georgia, orthe 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 anact 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 arerelevant facts and/or information. Such control shall involve, inter alia, control over whether a person concerned is physicallyin 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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

1. (Deleted – 27.8.2020, No 538).

2. Persons visiting Georgia for the purpose of carrying out business/labour activities shall be allowed to enter the territory of Georgia in accordance with the joint order of the Minister of Economy and Sustainable Development of Georgia, the Minister of

Regional Development and Infrastructure of Georgia, the Minister of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia, the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Georgia, the Minister of Environmental Protection and Agriculture of Georgia, and the Minister of Education, Science, Culture and Sport of Georgia on the Procedure for Completing an Application in the Electronic Programme and Obtaining Consent by Foreign Visitorsfor Carrying out Business/Labour ActivitiesinGeorgia.

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

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

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

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

b) to place visitors in quarantine.

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

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

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

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

7. (Deleted – 14.9.2020, No 577).

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

b) Joint Combined Exchange Training (JCET).

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

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

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

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

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

2. The persons determined byparagraph 1 of this article shall be allowed to enter the territory of Georgiain 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 countrieswith which Georgia has opened its borderswithout 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') 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 a special application form – 'Form of Registration of Foreign Students Entering Georgia'.

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 12-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 12-day mandatory quarantine. The violation of these requirements shall result in liability under the legislation of Georgia.

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

Article 12 – Rightsand obligations of aperson placedin isolation

1.Receiving visitors in anisolation (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 apublic health care service.

Article 13 – Controlling the rules provided for by this Chapter

Incidencesof 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.Information received from the thermal screening of persons having arrived from foreign countries, who are suspected of havingor beingat high risk of coronavirus, and information referred to in the Registration Card of a Traveller Arriving from Infected Areas (Annex No 9) approved by Ordinance No 454 of 16 September 2019 of the Government of Georgia on the Approval of the Technological Scheme for Carrying out Sanitary and Quarantine Control in the Border Line and Customs Control Areas of Georgia and the Procedure for Carrying out Sanitary and Quarantine Control, shall be transferred by the LEPL Revenue Service, within the scope of its competence, to the LEPL L. Sakvarelidze National Center for Disease Control and Public Health, or to municipal public health care centres, for the purposes of identifying contacts and making a decision on their placement in isolation.

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 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 anatural 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 onconfirmedcases of COVID-19 (a list of new cases statistically registered on the previous reporting dayin electronic format, containing full names and contact details) shall be submitted by the LEPL L. Sakvarelidze National Centre for Disease Control and Public Health under the state control of the Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia, on a daily basis, to the LEPL Public Safety Management Center 112 operating under the governance of the Ministry of InternalAffairs of Georgia ('Public Safety Management Center 112') (Public Safety Management Center 112 shall also manage the notifications received during the day, which are notincluded in the above electronic list), which shall, for the purpose of initial clinical evaluation of patients, submit the information to the outpatient institutions determined by Order No 01-150/ო of 4 April 2020 of the Minister of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia 'On Measures to be Taken for the Identification and Proper Management/Referral of the Cases of Seasonal Influenzaand COVID-19.

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 arelevantinsurance organisation/a provider medical institution of an insurance organisation, the Public Safety Management Center 112 shall be authorised to check the information about the personon the database of the persons using the insurance services, provided by the LEPLInsurance State Supervision Service of Georgia. The database of the persons using the insurance services referred to in this paragraph shall include the name, surname, date of birth, personal number, insurance starting date, insurance ending date, date of early termination of insurance, apolicyholder (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.

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

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] – Autonomous Republic of Ajara

1. (Deleted – 15.10.2020, No 624).

2. (Deleted – 15.10.2020, No 624).

3. (Deleted – 3.11.2020, No 659).

4. Provision of the services under the 'State Programme of 2020 for Social Rehabilitation and Childcare', 'Early Childhood Development Support Sub-programme', 'Child Rehabilitation/Habilitation Sub-programme', and 'Programme for the Provision of Services at Day Care Centres', approved by Ordinance No 670 of 31 December 2019 of the Government of Georgia, shall be suspended within the administrative boundaries of the Autonomous Republic of Ajara.

5. Until the full restoration of the provision of services determined by paragraph 4 of this article, the principles, procedures and amount of funding of those services shall be determined by an individual administrative act of the Ministerof Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Labour, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia.

6. Intercity transportation of passengers byM2 and M3 category motor vehicles within the administrative boundaries of the Autonomous Republic of Ajara, as well as to and/or from the Autonomous Republic of Ajara, shall be suspended.

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

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 grounds for suspending such payments as provided for by the legislation.Moreover, the amounts of state cash payments paid within this period shall not be considered as paid in excess and shall not be subject to refund.

2.A body administering appropriate state cash payments shall be released from the obligation toadminister cash paymentswhere said administrationmay result in the suspension of a cash payment.

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 the next verification of disability status as March 2020 and the subsequent period, shall retain legal force until 1 July 2020.

5.Within the framework of Ordinance No 262 of 31 March 2014 of the Government of Georgia on the Approval of State Target Programme Promoting the Improvement of Demographic Situation, the LEPL Social Service Agency shall not provide verification of the factual place of residence of families of beneficiaries referred to in Article 5(1) of the State Programme approved by the said Ordinance (for the purposes of confirming the fact of residence of beneficiaries), and pecuniary benefits shall be given within the framework of this programme according to the information kept in the database administered by the Agency, other thanfor exceptions established within the framework of this programme.

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

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

b) in relation to families registered in the database and having arating score of less than 100 001, the Agency shall keep paying monetary social assistance, and the living allowance continuously, irrespective of the competences and authority provided for by Ordinance No 126 of 24 April 2010 of the Government of Georgia on Lowering the Level of Poverty and Improving the Social Security of Population in the Country and Ordinance No 145 of 28 July 2006 of the Government of Georgia on Social Assistance initiated by the Agency, and/or irrespective of confirmed information received from various sources and/or confirmed information found (identified), except for cases where the repeated verification of its social and economic situation is requested by the family itself. Moreover, amounts of living allowance paid within this period shall not be considered as paid in excess and shall not be subject to refund;

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

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

e) the Agency shall not be authorised to terminate the registration of a family in the database on the grounds referred to in Article 8(7)(e) of the Rule established by Ordinance No 126 of 24 April 2010 of the Government of Georgia on Measures for Lowering the Level of Poverty and Improving the Social Security of Population in the Country. Accordingly, the rating score shall be assigned according to the data held in the database;

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

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

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

8. Taking into consideration the epidemiological situation, in the case of absence of more than 60% of the total number of

beneficiaries and/or personnel employedby the services provided for by the 'Early Childhood Development Support Sub-programme', 'Child Rehabilitation/Habilitation Sub-programme', and 'Programme for the Provision of Services at Day Care Centres' under the 'State Programme of 2020 for Social Rehabilitation and Childcare' approved by Ordinance No 670 of 31 December 2019 of the Government of Georgia, the service may take a decision on the suspension of the provision of services, which shall be notified in writing to the Ministry and/or the LEPL Agency For State Care And Assistance For the (Statutory) Victims of Human trafficking.

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

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

Article 18 – Medical assistance

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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 674 of 31 December 2019 of the Government of Georgia on the Approval of State Healthcare Programmes of 2020.

8. In a matter of urgent necessity, taking into account the epidemiological situation, the Ministry shall be authorised to make a decision other than provided for by this Ordinance on changing the terms related to the mobilisation, and/or on mobilisation of other inpatient facilities.

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

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

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

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

d) insurance companies shall provide to the insured personsthe 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.

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 674 of 31 December 2019 of the Government of Georgia on the Approval of Healthcare State Programmes of 2020, 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 Social Service Agency to:

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

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

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

11.The measures determined by paragraph 2(a.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 674 of 31 December 2019 of the Government of Georgia on the Approval of Healthcare State Programmes of 2020.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Article 19 – Medical and pharmaceutical activities

The time limit for reviewing an application on the registration of the change of range I type (a) pharmaceutical products, and on registration through the recognition regime, and on notification regarding the first importation of pharmaceutical products already

permitted inthe Georgian market, though in different packaging and with the different marking, (including dental materials and diagnostic means), shall be determined to be one month.

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 respectiveyear (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 ofmeasures 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 302 of 1 October 2010 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.

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

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

a) from the requirements of Ordinance No 139 of 11 May 2010 of the Government of Georgia on Certain Measures Related to the Conclusion of Agreements with the Participation of Foreign Contracting Parties and Ordinance No 126 of 14 March 2011 of the Government of Georgia on Measures to be Implemented Regarding Grants by Relevant Institutions of the Executive Authority and Legal Entities under Public Law Subject to the State Control;

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

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

b.b) from the requirements of Ordinance No 650 of 25 December 2019 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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