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SIX NEW COVID-19 CASES

St. Vincent and the Grenadines today confirmed six (6) new COVID-19 cases. An adult non-national traveler arrived from the United Kingdom on December 26 with a negative PCR test result and tested positive on arrival screening. The traveller was in mandatory quarantine at the time of receipt of the result and will be isolated until cleared by two negative tests.

On Sunday December 27, the COVID-19 Taskforce was contacted by an adult Vincentian with symptoms typical of COVID-19. Testing on Monday December 28 confirmed that adult as positive. Subsequent contact tracing and testing have revealed 87 contacts and four (4) additional positive cases. Contact tracing and testing continue. All identified positives and their contacts have been isolated and quarantined. The source of infection of this cluster of local spread is still under investigation.

St. Vincent and the Grenadines has now recorded a total of one hundred and nineteen (119) COVID-19 cases, ninety-four (94) of which have recovered. There are now twenty-five (25) active COVID-19 cases.

The public is once again strongly advised to wear facial coverings when in the public or when unable to maintain sufficient physical distancing. All persons who have been advised to quarantine are urged to comply.

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