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**PRESS RELEASE**

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*Kingstown, St. Vincent and the Grenadines*

**EIGHT (8) NEW CASES**

St. Vincent and the Grenadines today confirmed eight (8) new COVID-19 cases. All of the cases are nationals detected during contact tracing. There are now six hundred and five (605) local cases of COVID-19, the majority of whom are linked to various clusters.

One hundred and forty-seven (147) persons have recovered, five hundred and ninety-seven (597) cases remain active and two (2) persons with COVID-19 have died. Seven hundred and forty-six (746) cases of COVID-19 have been reported in St. Vincent and the Grenadines since March 2020. All positive cases will remain isolated until cleared. All close contacts of positive cases, should contact the flu clinic in their district to arrange testing. These close or primary contacts must remain in their place of quarantine until receipt of their results.

The public is encouraged to comply with the mass gatherings protocol which restricts all indoor mass gatherings, including funerals and house parties, to ten (10) persons, and outdoor mass gatherings which include limes, beach and river picnics, to twenty (20) persons.

All residents of and visitors to St. Vincent and the Grenadines are reminded of the importance of consistently wearing facial coverings to protect themselves from being infected with the virus which causes COVID-19. Where prolonged very close contact is unavoidable, such as when having a dental procedure or ophthalmological assessment, the provider of the service should wear goggles or a face shield in addition to a face mask.

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