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ONE NEW COVID-19 CASE ON ENTRY SCREENING

St. Vincent and the Grenadines today confirmed one (1) new COVID-19 case. This case arrived on Monday July 27, 2020, from the US Virgin Islands. The visitor has been isolated since the receipt of their preliminary positive results, and is doing well with no symptoms typical of coronavirus.

All of the one hundred and four (104) Air Canada 980 passengers who arrived from Toronto on Thursday July 30, 2020, have been released from mandatory quarantine, having all arrived with negative PCR tests or being found to be negative for the SARS-CoV-2 virus on entry screening.

One hundred and three (103) passengers arrived today, August 1, 2020, from Miami, Florida on AA 945. All passengers were placed on mandatory five (5) day quarantine.

One (1) COVID-19 case recovered as indicated by two negative results of RT-PCR tests.

St. Vincent and the Grenadines has now recorded a total of fifty-five (55) COVID-19 cases, of which forty-four (45) have recovered. There are now ten (10) active COVID-19 cases.

The public is asked to note that the CARICOM Bubble as initially considered, ‘no test and no quarantine’ was not implemented today August 1, 2020. Rather, travelers from countries in the CARICOM Bubble (Anguilla, Antigua and Barbuda, Barbados, BVI, Dominica, Grenada, Jamaica, Montserrat, St. Kitts and Nevis, St. Lucia and Trinidad and Tobago) will either have a PCR done on arrival or be allowed to enter with a seven (7) day old PCR test instead of a five (5) day old one.

The public is reminded that the recommendations for the conduct of mass gatherings, with or without amplified music, have been continued until August 31, 2020. The safe use of facial coverings when in the public is strongly recommended.

The health of Vincentians is a shared responsibility. This was forcefully demonstrated by the recent successful collaboration between the Royal St. Vincent and the Grenadines Police Force and the Health Services Subcommittee – “Health Security is National Security”.

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