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**ONE NEW COVID-19 CASE ON QUARANTINE DAY 5
SCREENING**

St. Vincent and the Grenadines confirmed one (1) new COVID-19 case. This new positive case arrived on Saturday August 1, 2020, from the USA on American Airlines 945, with a negative RT-PCR result. The Vincentian national, who is from a high risk occupation, tested negative for SARS-CoV-2 on entry screening and was quarantined for five days in an approved facility. The positive result was recorded on quarantine day 5 screening. The national who has no complaints, was placed in isolation in an approved private facility. This is the second traveler on the American Airlines 945 flight of August 1 to test positive for SARS-CoV-2, the virus which causes COVID-19.

Eight other high risk passengers from American Airlines 945 of August 1, will continue in quarantine for a total of fourteen days. All of the remaining ninety-three (93) passengers who arrived on that flight have been cleared.

All of the ninety (90) passengers who arrived on American Airlines 945 on Saturday August 8 are in mandatory quarantine.

Passengers who arrived from Toronto on Thursday August 6, 2020 on Air Canada Flight 980, 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.

Three (3) COVID-19 cases have recovered as indicated by two negative results of RT-PCR tests.

St. Vincent and the Grenadines has now recorded a total of fifty-seven (57) COVID-19 cases, of which fifty-two (52) have recovered. There are now five (5) active COVID-19 cases.

Travelers from countries with significant COVID-19 community spread and those from occupational groups found to have high levels of COVID-19 are considered high risk passengers and will continue to be subject to increased screening and quarantine requirements. Travelers from countries such as the USA, Brazil and the Dominican Republic, and occupations such as Oil Rig and Health Care Workers are considered high risk.

The Health Services Subcommittee will continue to monitor the ever changing course of the COVID-19 Pandemic, and will amend the existing protocols as necessary to keep all of St. Vincent and the Grenadines healthy.

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