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EXTRAORDINARY MEASURE

The Ministry of Health as an administrative authority competent pursuant to Section 80 (1) letter g) of the Act No. 258/2000 Coll., on Protection of Public Health, and on change of certain related acts, as amended (the "Act No. 258/2000 Coll."), adopts within procedure pursuant to Section 69 (1) letter i) and (2) of the Act No. 258/2000 Coll., in order to protect the population and to prevent danger of outbreak and spread of the COVID-19 disease caused by the new coronavirus SARS-CoV-2, this extraordinary measure:

I.

1. **With effect as of April 1, 2020, 00:00 hours, until April 11, 2020, 06:00 hours, free movement of persons in the entire territory of the Czech Republic shall be forbidden, with the exception of:**
 - a) **Trips to work and to pursue business or other similar activity,**
 - b) **Necessary trips to visit family members or close persons,**
 - c) **Trips necessary to ensure basic life needs (such as purchase of food, drugs and medical devices, hygienic goods, cosmetics and other drugstore goods, animal food and other goods for animals), including the needs of relatives or close persons, ensure childcare, animal care, use of necessary banking and postal services, refilling of fuels,**
 - d) **Trips necessary to ensure needs and services as per letter c) for another person (e.g. volunteering, neighbor help),**
 - e) **Trips to medical or social services facilities, including necessary accompanying of related and close persons, and facilities of veterinary treatment,**
 - f) **Trips to handle urgent official matters, including necessary accompanying of related and close persons,**
 - g) **Pursuing professional activities or activities to ensure**
 1. **security, public order or solving of emergency situations,**

2. health protection, provision of healthcare or social care including volunteering,
 3. individual spiritual care and service,
 4. public mass transportation and other infrastructure,
 5. services for the population, including supply and take-away services,
 6. veterinary care,
- h) Stay in nature or in parks,
 - i) Trips back to the place of residence,
 - j) Funerals;
2. With effect as of April 1, 2020, 00:00 hours, until April 11, 2020, 06:00 hours, it is ordered:
- a) Persons residing in the territory of the Czech Republic shall limit their movement in public only to the necessary time and remain in their place of residence with the exception of situations specified in point 1. letters a) to i),
 - b) Limit contacts with other persons to the necessary minimum,
 - c) Stay in public places together in the maximum of two persons, with the exception of household members, pursue of profession, business or other similar activity, participation at funerals, and to keep a distance of at least 2 metres while in contact with other persons, if possible.

II.

This extraordinary measure comes into effect on the day of its issue.

Rationale:

The extraordinary measure is adopted in relation to the adverse development of the epidemiologic situation of the COVID-19 disease caused by the new coronavirus designated SARS-CoV-2 in Europe.

In view of the current outbreak of COVID-19 diseases in territory of the Czech Republic, as well as in the territory of most countries in the world, it is necessary to prevent further outbreak of COVID-19 disease declared by the World Health Organisation as a pandemic on March 11, 2020.

Since March 1, 2020, when COVID-19 disease was proven at the very first time to a patient in the territory of the Czech Republic, there has been an increase in the number of cases at 2,657 (as of March 28, 2020). The daily increase in the number of patients with newly proven

COVID-19 disease in recent days exceeds 200 (March 25 - 291, March 26 - 259, March 27 - 373, March 28 - 262).

This measure is one of the important preconditions for preventing the outbreak of COVID-19 diseases caused by the new SARS-CoV-2 coronavirus in the Czech Republic. The coronavirus is transmitted from man to man by a close contact. It is a so-called droplet-based infection that spreads through the air. Most often the mucous membranes of the upper and lower respiratory tracts and the conjunctiva are infected. The incubation period is approximately between 2 and 14 days. The most common ways where viruses enter the human body are mucous membranes, i.e. mouth, nose and also eyes. These places are like an open gate for viruses.

The aim of this measure is to restrict free movement of persons and contacts with other persons in order to avoid the spread of COVID-19 disease in the community to the maximum possible extent.

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Signed electronically