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REMINDER ON ADHERENCE TO THE COVID-19 GUIDELINES

Honourable Members,

As you may be aware, reports from the Ministry of Health indicate an escalation of severe cases of COVID-19 exacerbated by the emergence of the Delta Variant in the country. In this regard, I wish to remind you all to strictly adhere to the Guidelines that are already in place as we continue to enhance measures to protect ourselves and our families from the effects of the pandemic.

Honourable Members, to prevent transmission of the disease within the precincts of Parliament, I wish to remind all Members and Parliamentary Staff that –

- (i) the sitting capacity in the National Assembly Chamber remains 112 Members and occupancy is on first-come first-admitted basis, save for the few reserved seats;

- (ii) all persons in Parliament, including Hon. Members should wear face masks at all times even when they are speaking in the plenary Chamber and Committee meetings; and,
- (iii) the Catering Department is directed to ensure that no unauthorized person is admitted in the Members dining areas and other lounges and that no more than two Members occupy one table in the Dining areas.

Honourable Members, the Serjeant-at-Arms Department is directed to enforce wearing of face masks at all times, hand-washing or use of hand sanitizers, and observance of strict social distancing, amongst other measures within the precincts of Parliament as well as ensuring adherence to all other protocols by the Ministry of Health on the prevention of transmission of this deadly Pandemic.

Lastly, I direct the Clerk of the National Assembly to continue making arrangements for Members of Parliament and Staff to undergo voluntary COVID-19 testing and complete vaccination process in a phased manner.

The House is accordingly guided.

I Thank You!


THE HON. JUSTIN B.N. MUTURI, EGH, MP
SPEAKER OF THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

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