



Dear colleagues,

Last night the president of the Dominican Republic, Mr. Danilo Medina spoke to our nation and declared a national emergency in our country in front of the impact of Covid-19 (Corona virus) in our island. Thus far there have been 21 cases detected with one death person. The first case of local transmission was announced as well. These are the measures that will be enforced to stop the advance of the outbreak:

1. Declaration of national emergency to be approved by our National Congress.
2. Complete quarantine for the country. Closing of all our borders for 15 days. Tourists in our country will be allowed to go back home through ferry flights.
3. Educational Institutions will be closed until April the 13rd.
4. Closing of all restaurants. Home deliveries or take outs will be allowed.
5. All kind of public events or spectacles will be suspended for 15 days.
6. Suspension of all commercial activities which are not deemed as non-essential.
7. Public Employees which are older than 60 years and considered of high risk will not be allowed to work and the rest of public employees will only work 50% of the time.
8. Those essentials companies allowed to work like pharmacies, supermarkets, banks laboratories etc. will be required to operate with a minimum of employees.
9. Private laboratories will be allowed to perform the Covid-19 test.
10. New isolation centers will be habilitated.
11. Limited access to hospitals and private clinics.
12. Private clinics will be allowed to habilitate isolation and treatment areas.
13. Social Security plans will cover the medical expenses of workers.
14. Economical measures to assist hotels and other affected businesses.

Due to these measures to be enforced in our country our offices will be closed for 15 days in which we'll continue to work from our homes with limited access to our emails. We'll continue to answer your rates requests or inquiries, we'll continue monitoring our shipments, performing video-surveys, and coordinating your moves for days ahead after the 15 days quarantine period. Our responses to your requests may take a period of 24 to 48 hours. You can contact us to the following numbers: 1-809-727-0115, 1-809-861-0606 or 1-809-868-9908. We hope to get back to normal as soon as possible and we wish you all the best.

We look forward to working with you soon.

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