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THE COVID-19 LEVEL 2 NATIONAL LOCKDOWN REVIEW MEASURES, 28th JANUARY, 2022

Over the past two weeks, the country has recorded a decline in new COVID-19 cases. The National COVID-19 epidemic curve is indicating that the 4th Wave is at its tail end and this **Wave** appear to being brought under control. In this regard, the Acting President of the Republic of Zimbabwe, Hon. Gen. (Retd) Dr CGDN Chiwenga, has reviewed the **Covid-19 Level 2 National Lockdown Measures** as follows:

- 1. The general school calendar starts on **7 February 2022** following one week of finalising all reopening preparations by both school administrators and parents;
- 2. The business community to go back to working from their offices whilst continuing to observe COVID-19 prevention measures such as social distancing and also continuing to encourage their employees and patrons to get vaccinated;
- Curfew shall now begin at midnight (0000hrs) and end at 0530 hours the following day;
- Restaurants and hotels offering catering services to operate from **0800 hours** and close at **2200 hours** and allow sit-ins only for fully vaccinated persons;

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- Bars and night clubs shall open from **0800 hours** to **2200** hours **only** for vaccinated persons;
- 6. All persons entering Zimbabwe must undergo a valid COVID-19 PCR test not more than 48 hours from the time of their departure for Zimbabwe. Those who do not have a valid negative PCR test and a certificate to that effect shall be denied entry into Zimbabwe;
- 7. Quarantine for locals, retuning residents and visitors is lifted for those fully vaccinated;
- 8. The wearing of face masks in public places, especially public transport and closed space gatherings remain mandatory and must be enforced;
- 9. Eligible members of the public are encouraged to get vaccinated;
- The provincial COVID-19 task-force teams are urged to increase their efforts in mobilising eligible members of the public to get vaccinated;
- 11. **Finally**, the practice of WHO recommended COVID-19 preventive public health and social measures that include: washing of hands; sanitising; social distancing; avoiding crowds and gatherings; to continue.

12. All of the above measures are subject to periodic review depending on the prevailing Covid-19 situation.

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