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In exercise of the power conferred by section 76 of the Infectious Diseases Act, the Minister of Health, with the approval of His Majesty the Sultan and Yang Di-Pertuan, hereby makes the following Regulations —

Citation and commencement

1. These Regulations may be cited as the Infectious Diseases (Quarantine) (Amendment) Regulations, 2020 and shall be deemed to have commenced on 30th. January, 2020.

Amendment of regulation 2 to Rg 1 of Chapter 204

2. Regulation 2 of the Infectious Diseases (Quarantine) Regulations, in these Regulations referred to as the principal Regulations, is amended —

(a) in the definition of “infected vessel” —

(i) in paragraph (e), by deleting “or” from the last line;

(ii) by inserting the following new paragraph immediately after paragraph (e) —

“(ea) which has a case of Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) on board or on which a case of Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) occurred within 14 days before the arrival of the vessel or on which a case of Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) occurred at the time of departure or during the voyage; or”;

(b) in the definition of “suspected vessel”, by inserting the following new paragraph immediately after paragraph (e) —

“(ea) in respect of Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) —

(i) has arrived from an infected port or from a port in close relation with an endemic port of Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) after a voyage of less than 14 days; or

(ii) has or had on board a case of Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) at the time of departure or during the voyage;”.

Amendment of Second Schedule

3. The Second Schedule to the principal Regulations is amended —

(a) by inserting the following new Part immediately after Part F —

“PART FA

CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019 (COVID-19)

1. No passenger or crew member may leave an infected, suspected or any other ship without the permission of any health officer.

2. The passengers and crew of an infected, suspected or any other ship may be kept under surveillance for a period not exceeding 2 weeks from the date of arrival.

3. The parts of an infected or suspected ship which any health officer considers to be infected and soiled linen, wearing apparel or other articles found on board shall be destroyed.

4. Any health officer shall require infected, suspected or any other ship to be disinfected to his satisfaction after disembarkation of crew and passengers and before or after the discharge of cargo. The measures shall include isolation and surveillance of personnel employed in the discharge of the cargo and other precautions to prevent transmission of disease.”;

(b) in Part G, by adding the following new paragraph —

“VII. CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019 (COVID-19)

11. Where any aircraft has departed or has arrived from any Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) infected areas, but there has not been a case of Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) on board, the following measures may be taken —

(a) medical inspection of the aircraft and cargo by any health officer to ensure that they are not contaminated;

(b) treatment of the aircraft with disinfectant where the health officer considers necessary; and

(c) if any person on board, upon medical examination, is suspected to be suffering from Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) or the health officer is not satisfied that the person has completed a period of 14 days since possible exposure to infection, he may be

subjected to isolation either within the airport or elsewhere under conditions approved by any medical officer for a period not exceeding 14 days reckoned from the last day on which that person could have been infected.”.

Made this 17th. day of Rejab, 1441 Hijriah corresponding to the 12th. day of March, 2020.

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