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## PROTECTIVE MEASURE

The Ministry of Health, as the competent administrative authority, pursuant to Section 80(1)(h) of Act No. 258/2000 Coll., on Public Health Protection and Amendments to Certain Related Acts, as amended (hereinafter referred to as “Act No. 258/2000 Coll.”), **orders** this Protective Measure, pursuant to Section 68(1) of Act No. 258/2000 Coll., in order to liquidate the risk of the occurrence of the COVID-19 disease caused by the novel SARS-CoV-2 coronavirus:

### I.

Effective from 12:00 a.m. on 25 February 2022:

#### I. stipulates

1. that the prohibition of entry into the Czech Republic, the obligation to fill in the Arrival Form before the start of the transport, to have the result of the test for SARS-CoV-2, a national certificate of completed vaccination or a certificate of recovery from COVID-19, and to present these on request at border or residency control and the obligation to undergo a RT-PCR test in the territory of the Czech Republic, if the prohibition of entry and these obligations are stipulated by other protective measures, do not apply to:
  - a) citizens of Ukraine entering the territory of the Czech Republic on their way from Ukraine, where immediately before their arrival they were threatened by an international armed conflict,
  - b) citizens of the Czech Republic, citizens of the European Union and their family members and holders of a residence permit for the territory of the European Union entering the territory of the Czech Republic on their way from Ukraine, where immediately before their arrival they were threatened by an international armed conflict,
  - c) persons entering the territory of the Czech Republic on their way from Ukraine, where immediately prior to their arrival they were threatened by an international armed conflict and are only transiting through the territory of the Czech Republic to the country of which they are citizens or in which they have the right of residence; such persons are obliged to leave the territory of the Czech Republic within 48 hours of entering the territory of the Czech Republic;
2. that for the purposes of this protective measure, Member States of the European Union are deemed to include, in addition to the Member States of the European Union, the Principality of Andorra, the Republic of Iceland, the Principality of Liechtenstein, the Principality of Monaco, the Kingdom of Norway, the Republic of San Marino, the Swiss Confederation

and the Vatican City State;

## **II. orders**

that the persons referred to in point I are obliged to prove to the Police of the Czech Republic, the Ministry of the Interior, the public health protection authority or the carrier, upon request, that they meet the conditions referred to in point I, in particular by presenting a travel document, a document on the mode of travel to the territory of the Czech Republic, a document on the place of declared residence in the territory of Ukraine, a residence permit in the territory of another state for the purpose of transit or a residence permit in the territory of Ukraine.

### **Rationale:**

Due to the outbreak of the international armed conflict affecting the territory of Ukraine, the entry ban and all obligations related to the rules against the spread of Covid-19 provided for by the special protective measures are lifted for persons entering the territory of the Czech Republic from the territory of Ukraine, which they left due to the outbreak of the international armed conflict. Allowing entry to the territory of the Czech Republic without restrictive conditions and, in this sense, a more lenient approach to persons threatened by the international armed conflict that has affected Ukraine, is a more important and pressing need than ensuring compliance with epidemiological rules. It is therefore a derogation of the rules concerning the ban on entry and the obligations aimed at limiting the spread of the Covid-19 disease established from 15 February 2022 under the protective measure of the Ministry of Health dated 14 February 2022, No.MZDR 705/2022- 7/MIN/KAN.

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