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PRESS RELEASE

SUSPENSION OF MANDATORY COVID-19 TESTING FOR ALL INCOMING TRAVELERS AT ENTEBBE AIRPORT

Kampala – 16 February 2022 – The Ministry of Health would like to inform the public that the mandatory COVID-19 testing of all incoming travellers at Entebbe International Airport upon arrival has been stopped with effect **from today, 16 February 2022**. This follows a Cabinet decision on Monday, 14 February 2022.

The suspension of mandatory testing is informed by:

1. The decline in positive cases identified at the airport
2. Reduction in global threat of new variants of concern (VoC) and therefore reduced risk of importation of VoC that will increase community transmission

However, the requirement for COVID-19 testing 72 hours before boarding for both incoming and exiting travelers remains in effect. Our health workers will continue to screen all travellers both at arrival and departure and verify their COVID-19 test certificates.

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