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From: Charles Beneby
Director General
Subject: Entering The Bahamas by Air

With the onset of the coronavirus (COVID-19), the Bahamas has stipulated the following requirements for persons wishing to enter The Bahamas from another country.

1. The person must be a citizen of The Bahamas, a resident of The Bahamas or a homeowner in The Bahamas.
2. The person must present a negative PCR molecular swab COVID-19 test taken within the last seven (7) days at a Bahamas Government approved lab.
3. The person must agree to quarantine in either their home or a government facility.

If you are a citizen, you must be in a possession of a valid Bahamian passport.

If you are a resident, you must be in possession of a valid passport and a valid Bahamian permanent or annual residency card or a valid Bahamian Work Permit.

If you are a homeowner, you must be in possession of a valid passport and proof of homeownership (utility bill, property tax statement, etc.).

Upon arrival in The Bahamas, these documents will be inspected and verified by the Bahamas Department of Immigration.

Upon arrival in The Bahamas, the valid negative PCR molecular swab COVID-19 test taken within the last seven (7) days of your arrival, will be inspected by Ministry of Health officials. They will also validate your ability to safely quarantine at home or require you to quarantine in a government designated facility.

If you are entering The Bahamas using private aircraft, it may take up to 48 hours to receive approval (via email) and you will be required to contact the following person, via email:

Captain Charles Beneby
Director General - Bahamas Civil Aviation Authority
charles.beneby@bcaa.gov.bs
Cell: +1 242 823 5488

Please specify on the Subject Line of the email your name and intended date of arrival (eg John Doe Returning on 15 May 2020). Please specify the itinerary and tail number of the plane (if known). Also, attach (in pdf format) for all passengers items (1) and (2) above.

Also, type the following statement regarding the mandatory quarantine: I/We agree to quarantine for fourteen (14) days upon arrival in The Bahamas either in my/our home (self quarantine) or in a government mandated facility. I/We agree to abide by the decision of Bahamas Immigration and the Bahamas Ministry of Health.