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Protocol Directorate of the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office presents its compliments to all international organisations and has the honour to provide an update on the measures being taken by Her Majesty's Government to protect the UK from COVID-19.

Her Majesty's Government's vaccination programme continues apace, including the vaccination of all those who are registered with the NHS and the UK now recognises the vaccination regimes of many other overseas programmes.

All persons with privileges and immunities are reminded of their continued obligation to comply with Her Majesty Government's regulations in respect of travel into the UK.

Red list country arrivals

There has been no change to the regime concerning representatives of international organisations and their dependants arriving in the UK who have been in a red list country in the 10 days before arriving in the UK. They are exempt from completing the Passenger Locator Form. They still need to take a COVID-19 test before travelling to the UK and are still required to self-isolate in the place where they are staying even if they are fully vaccinated. Representatives and their dependants are exempt, but are strongly encouraged to complete tests on day 2 and day 8 after arrival, where applicable.

Fully vaccinated arrivals from non-red list countries

Representatives of international organisations and their dependants arriving from non-red list countries who have been fully vaccinated do not need to self-isolate. They are not required to take a COVID-19 test before travelling and are also exempt from completing the Passenger Locator Form and day 2 testing upon arrival.

Not fully vaccinated arrivals from non-red list countries

Representatives of international organisations arriving from non-red list countries who have not been fully vaccinated are required to self-isolate unless it is confirmed that their work is essential to the functioning of the international organisation and that it cannot be undertaken while self-isolating. They need to take a COVID-19 test before travelling to the UK. Dependants of representatives of international organisations are not eligible for exemption from self-isolation.

Representatives of International Organisations and their dependants continue to be exempt from completing the Passenger Locator Form and Day 2 testing upon arrival,



but representatives of international organisations are strongly encouraged to selfisolate and take the tests in the interests of public health.

Her Majesty's Government remains grateful for the understanding and cooperation of the international organisation community and would like to emphasise that application of these regulations is without prejudice to any immunity from jurisdiction or inviolability that an individual might enjoy otherwise than by the operation of the regulations.

Further information on the current and proposed Covid-19 related restrictions is available at https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus

Updates on the countries on the Red list can be found here: https://www.gov.uk/guidance/transport-measures-to-protect-the-uk-from-variant-strains-of-covid-19

Specific guidance in the Devolved Administrations can be found here:

Scotland: https://www.gov.scot/coronavirus-covid-19/

Wales: https://gov.wales/coronavirus

Northern Ireland: https://www.nidirect.gov.uk/campaigns/coronavirus-covid-19

Protocol Directorate of the Foreign Commonwealth and Development Office avails itself of this opportunity to renew to all international organisations the assurances of its highest consideration.

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