Dear travellers,

Welcome to Germany! Please note the following important information regarding your entry:

- If you are entering the Federal Republic of Germany by land, sea or air and have spent time in a risk area within the 10 days prior to entry, you are required—bar the exceptions listed below—to proceed directly to your own home, or other suitable accommodation, immediately after arrival and remain there exclusively for a period of 10 days after entry into the country (quarantine).

- A risk area is any country or region outside of the Federal Republic of Germany for which, at the time of entry into the Federal Republic of Germany, an increased risk of infection with the SARS-CoV-2 coronavirus exists. The Robert Koch Institute maintains a continuously updated list of risk areas at the following link: https://www.rki.de/covid-19-risikogebiete

- The obligation described above derives from provisions of Land law pursuant to section 32 sentence 1 in conjunction with section 30 (1) sentence 2 of the Protection against Infection Act. Violations can be punished as an administrative offence by imposition of a fine of up to 25,000 euros.

- Furthermore, you are required to inform your competent health authority of your address during your stay in the Federal Republic. For this purpose, you must perform the digital registration on entry at https://www.einreiseanmeldung.de and carry proof of it with you when entering the country and present this proof to the carrier upon request. If you are entering from a country outside of the Schengen Area, by air, the procedure differs in that the proof will be checked by the authority entrusted with the policing of cross-border traffic, which is generally the Federal Police. The competent health office will supervise compliance with the quarantine obligation; the health office can be found online at: https://tools.rki.de/plztool/

- Should you, for want of the necessary technical equipment or because of a technical malfunction, be unable to conduct a digital registration on entry, you will be required to fill out a substitute registration and submit this to the carrier or the above-mentioned authority during the border control.

- Exemptions from the quarantine obligation exist for specific groups of the population under Land law. This includes, among others, persons who are only in transit through the Federal Republic of Germany. According to the Land regulations in force, the 10-day quarantine may be lifted at the earliest after the fifth day and following a negative test result regarding infection with the SARS-CoV-2 coronavirus.

- Even if you test negative, you are required to contact your competent health office without delay should symptoms typical of an infection with the SARS-CoV-2 coronavirus (difficulties breathing, newly developed cough, fever or loss of smell or taste) emerge within 10 days of entry into the country.

The Federal Ministry of Health

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1 Austria, Belgium, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, as well as Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway and Switzerland.