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**Kojemlok Kitien Kakien Ko Ikkijjen COVID-19 Ilo Wawein Makutkut
NAN RMI & UNITED STATES**

Ilo 5/11/2023, kakien ko rej ped wot ikijjen COVID-19 im ta menin aikuj ko nan drelontok ilo RMI, emoj aer jemlok. Karok im kelet in ekar itok pedped ion aer kar lale jonok in katak ko ikijjen jen ro rej katak kin an jermal uno (epidemiology) pelaakin lal in (global), regional kab national ikijjen uno, im jonan eo remaron mokaj im kabojrake iliju in jeklaj elanne enaj bar wor naninmej in COVID, ekoba nej kaddad in jermal ko an douluul kein ruo WHO im CDC.

Director General eo an WHO, Dr. Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, ekar kwalok ilo juon an enaan kar 5 raan eo ilo allin in May 2023, ekar ba bwe **COVID-19 kio ejjab juon men eo enaaj kairuj lal in botab emoj an oktak kio im erom juon men eo jemaron kalimjeke enwot mottan bar mottan naninmej ko rej walok.** Men in ejjab melele in bwe COVID-19 ejjab kauwatata nan mour an armij, bota belon wot iaan lal ko jet kio rej ped ilo jekjek eo im remaron make kamadmode ilo aer leto letak uno/waa ko im eor jet jekjek ko repojak in bok jikier nan aer naaj bobrae im mokaj in kabojrake jen an naaj ajeeded iliju im jeklaj ekoba ilo an jab kanooj lap joren ej walok ilo uno/waa ko rej katak kaki ilo an driklok rej dreton hospital kaki im mij jeni.

Ejja ilo wawein in wot, douluul eo an CDC emoj an kojjelela bwe jino jen **5/12/2023, aolep non-citizen ak ro im ejjab ri-America im rej ekkaake lok nan US rej jemmin aikuj in kwalok kein kamool ikijjen waa in COVID-19.**

Naan in rejan eo nan public ikijjen elane ej menin aikuj wot bwe ren loloodjake aer bok uno/waa in COVID-19 ko ej naaj ped wot ekkar nan ra eo an jikin ejmour (MoHHS), enwot juon kile eo jen CDC im WHO.

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**PRESS RELEASE: LIFTING OF COVID-19 TRAVEL REQUIREMENTS
FOR RMI & THE UNITED STATES**

As of 5/11/2023, the existing Covid-19 travel requirements to enter the RMI, have been lifted. This decision takes into careful consideration the global, regional, and national Covid-19 epidemiology, vaccination coverage, capacity to respond to future outbreaks as well as positional statements of the WHO and CDC.

The WHO Director General, Dr. Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, in a statement released on May 5th, 2023, stated that ***Covid-19 no longer constituted a public health emergency of international concern but now has become an established health issue.*** This does not mean that Covid-19 is no longer a threat to human lives, but most countries are now in a better position to deal with this condition through widespread uptake of immunization and have mechanisms in place to prevent and respond to future outbreaks as well as epidemiological trends of very low rates of infection, hospitalizations, and deaths.

Similarly, the US Centers of Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) announces that as of ***5/12/2023, all non-citizens travelling into the US will no longer need to present proof of Covid-19 vaccination.***

The public is advised of their need to continue to ensure their Covid-19 immunizations remain updated in accordance with MoHHS, WHO and CDC recommendations.

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