INFECTION PREVENTION AND CONTROL MEASURES IN PUBLIC PLACES

In light of the threat of Corona Virus Disease Pandemic (COVID-19) and subsequent declaration by His Excellency Prof Peter Mutharika, president of the Republic of Malawi that Malawi is in a state of disaster, the MINISTRY OF HEALTH would like to provide the following guidance to public settings

HOTELS AND LODGING PLACES

The following measures are recommended for Hotels and Lodging Places

✓ Handwashing facilities or hand sanitizers should be placed/mounted at strategic places
✓ 0.05% chlorinated water should be used for handwashing, this is cheaper and effective as we anticipate huge demand for hand sanitizers
✓ Assign staff to ensure that guests are washing their hands or using alcohol-based hand sanitizers
✓ Staff should maintain social distance (1 meter) with guests when assisting guests
✓ Keep a profile of where the guests are coming from, if from outside the country, ask how long have they been in the country. If less than 14 days, inform health authorities immediately
✓ Staff should stay at home if they have fever and flu like symptoms
✓ Notify medical authorities immediately if you come across a person with recent travel to COVID-19 affected countries
✓ District Council and City Council will enforce adherence
✓ Use ‘Chipatala cha pa Foni’ by calling 54747 for health messages including COVID-19

Your cooperation will be highly appreciated,

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