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Llywodraeth Cymru Welsh Government

Elin Jones, MS Llywydd Senedd Cymru

9 October 2020

Dear Llywydd,

The Health Protection (Coronavirus, International Travel) (Wales) (Amendment) (No. 14) Regulations 2020

In accordance with section 11A(4) of the Statutory Instruments Act 1946 I am notifying you that this Statutory Instrument will come into force less than 21 days after it has been laid. The Explanatory Memorandum that accompanies the Regulations is attached for your information.

The Regulations made today further amend the Health Protection (Coronavirus, International Travel) (Wales) Regulations 2020 so the Greek islands of Antiparos, Lesvos, Paros, Santorini, Serifos, Tinos and Zakynthos will no longer be excluded from the current exemption for Greece. The islands of Crete and Mykonos will continue to be excepted from the exemption for Greece and travellers from those islands will continue to be required to isolate on arriving in Wales. The Regulations make these changes due to the identified changes in risk to public health posed by arrivals from these territories.

Not adhering to the 21 day convention allows these Regulations to come into force at the earliest opportunity, and in view of the changing evidence on risk in relation to this disease this is considered necessary and justifiable in this case.

Due to the immediacy of the Regulations they have not been subject to consultation.

I am copying this letter to Mick Antoniw MS, Chair of the Legislation, Justice and Constitution Committee, Sian Wilkins, Head of Chamber and Committee Services and Julian Luke, Head of Policy and Legislation Committee Service.

Yours sincerely,

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