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**EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT (COVID-19)
PUBLIC SERVICE VEHICLE AND DESIGNATED MAXI TAXIS
AND TOUR COACHES (COVID-19) DIRECTIVE, 2020**

WHEREAS by paragraph 15A of the *Emergency Management (Covid-19) Order, 2020* (S.I. 2020 No. 16) it is provided *inter alia* that the Prime Minister, on the advice of the Chief Medical Officer and the Chairman of the Transport Authority may, during a public health emergency, issue a directive designating the use of certain motor vehicles as public service vehicles:

AND WHEREAS a public health emergency exists in Barbados:

NOW THEREFORE by virtue of the power and authority in me vested and on the advice of the Chief Medical Officer and the Chairman of the Transport Authority I do hereby issue the following Directive:

1. With effect from the 1st June, 2020 to 30th June, 2020, inclusive, the Prime Minister hereby designates those maxi taxis and tour coaches, the permit holders of which are parties to the Agreement known as "The Transport Augmentation Project" (TAP), to transport passengers to and from their destinations in a safe, efficient and hygienic manner, subject to the terms and conditions set out in the TAP Agreement aforesaid and the conditions set out in this Directive.
2. With effect from 1st June, 2020 to 30th June, 2020, inclusive, all maxi taxis and tour coaches referred to in paragraph 1 are hereby authorised to
 - (a) ply for hire on the same terms and subject to the same conditions as motor omnibuses, minibuses and route taxis;
 - (b) pick up and set down passengers at bus stops;
 - (c) charge each passenger the prescribed fare; and

- (d)* enter and make use of
 - (i)* the Constitution River Motor Omnibus Terminal;
 - (ii)* the Fairchild Street Motor Omnibus Terminal;
 - (iii)* the Princess Alice Motor Omnibus Terminal; and
 - (iv)* the Speightstown Motor Omnibus Terminal,

as if they were registered and licensed as motor omnibuses, minibuses or route taxis, as the case may be;

- 3. (1) With effect from 1st June, 2020 to 30th June, 2020 every
 - (a)* motor omnibus, minibus and route taxi; and
 - (b)* maxi taxi and tour coach designated under paragraph 1is limited to carrying only 60 per cent of its seating capacity.
- (2) Where vehicles mentioned in sub-paragraph (1)*(a)* and *(b)* are fitted with
 - (a)* bench seats, only one person shall sit on a seat;
 - (b)* bucket seats, only one person shall sit in a row of seats; and
 - (c)* the driver, conductor and passengers on such vehicles shall wear face masks.

4. Every
 - (a) motor omnibus, minibus and route taxi; and
 - (b) maxi taxi and tour coach designated under paragraph 1shall be sanitized after putting down passengers and before taking up new passengers at the motor omnibus terminals referred to in paragraph 2(d).
5. For the purposes of this Directive,
 - (a) "Transport Authority" means the Transport Authority established by the *Transport Authority Act*, Cap. 295A;
 - (b) "maxi taxi" and "tour coach" have the meanings assigned to them by section 2(1) of the *Road Traffic Act*, Cap. 295; and
 - (c) the motor omnibus terminals listed in paragraph 2 have the meaning assigned to them by the *Motor Omnibus Terminals Regulations, 1986* (S.I. 1986 No. 131).
6. A permit holder referred to in paragraph 1 who breaches the TAP Agreement aforementioned is liable to have the authority conferred on him by paragraph 2 rescinded.
7. Any person who contravenes this Directive is guilty of an offence and is liable on summary conviction to a fine of \$50 000 or imprisonment for one year or to both.
8. This Directive shall come into effect on the 1st day of June, 2020.

Made by the Prime Minister this 29th day of May, 2020.

MIA AMOR MOTTLEY
Prime Minister