

ATPI Advisory

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ATPI Alerts Travel Opportunities per Country during Coronavirus (COVID-19)

Dear Valued Client,

The world is still changing by the hour during this COVID pandemic outbreak. Many travel bans are being eased or lifted and other countries still extend or expand their current travel bans. Airlines slowly start up their network again, although with lower capacity. Our daily update informs you in short about the latest information.

Please note that unexpected travel cancellations are taking place and airlines status may change at any given time without prior notice. The enlisted information is based on the officially announced governmental travel restrictions and quarantine measures, updated via our ATPI Alerts.

Important notices for seafarers:

Philippines:

Effective midnight of December 29, 2020, all passengers originating from the countries listed by the PH Government will not be allowed to enter the Philippines. This is a precautionary measure put into place by the Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases in preventing the entry of second COVID-19 strain which was recently detected.

Only non-Filipino citizens are restricted to enter if coming from the 20 countries listed. Exemptions apply to spouses and children of Filipino citizens.

For Overseas Filipino Workers (OFW) and Returning Overseas Filipinos, they will be required to undergo 14-day quarantine if originating from the said list of countries.

Listed countries: Australia, Canada, Denmark, France, Germany, Hong Kong, Iceland, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Lebanon, the Netherlands, Singapore, South Africa, South Korea, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, United Kingdom.

The Netherlands:

A negative PCR test not older than 72 hours before arrival in the Netherlands is now required for almost all countries. Seafarers are exempted, but have to provide their seaman's book and proof that they were working abroad or are going to work at their destination. In general, the advice is to always have a negative PCR test for all seafarers as well, to avoid issues and to keep your travelers safe and healthy.

Turkey:

Turkish Airlines announces urgently that all customers (**including transit passengers**) are required to submit a negative PCR test, sampled maximum 72 hours prior to their entrance to Turkey. This procedure will be in effect as of 30 December 2020.

Areas & airports opening or softening restrictions

AREAS & AIRPORTS:

- **Fiji:** Update: Authorities resume inbound passenger flights from 29 December; new quarantine protocols reported
- **Kuwait:** Update: Flights at Kuwait International Airport will resume on 2 January 2021
- **Estonia, U.K.:** Update: Government will lift ban on flights to, from U.K. on 31 December

AIRLINES / TRAIN:

- **Egypt, Oman:** Update: **EgyptAir** will resume flights between Cairo, Muscat from 28 December
- **Montenegro, Serbia:** Update: **Air Serbia** increases flights to Montenegro
- **Czech Republic, United Arab Emirates: Emirates** will increase flights between Prague and Dubai in February 2021
- **Poland, Russia: Aeroflot** resumes flights from Moscow to Warsaw

Areas, airlines & airports imposing further restrictions

AREAS & AIRPORTS:

- **Indonesia:** Government closes borders for foreign nationals from 1-14 January 2021 because of COVID-19 concerns. Foreigners who arrive in Indonesia on Monday (Dec. 28) till Dec. 31 are still allowed to enter the country by showing negative results of polymerase chain reaction (PCR) tests conducted in their countries of origin. The test results shall be valid for 48 hours since their departure, and there will be re-examination of PCR upon their arrival in Indonesia.
- **South Korea, U.K.:** Update: Government extends ban on direct flights from U.K. until 7 January 2021
- **Russia, U.K.:** Update: Russian authorities keep flights to, from U.K. suspended until 12 January 2021
- **Philippines:** Update: COVID-19 restrictions in Manila extended until end of January 2021; 14-day quarantine imposed on passengers from countries where COVID-19 variant detected
- **Japan:** Update: Government suspends entry of non-resident foreigners because of new virus strain concerns; a few exemptions reported
- **Pakistan, U.K.:** Pakistan aviation authority extends ban on flights from U.K. until 4 January 2021
- **Denmark:** Update: Government will extend 'hard lockdown' until 17 January 2021 to limit spread of COVID-19
- **China:** Several flights canceled to, from Beijing after new COVID-19 cases
- **Caribbean, North America, Panama: Update: Cuba** will reduce flights from Bahamas, Dominican Republic, Haiti, Mexico, Panama, U.S. from 1 January 2021
- **South Africa:** Update: Government extends night-time curfew; most indoor, outdoor gatherings prohibited for 14 days; other restrictions reported following increase in COVID-19 infections

- **U.S.:** Update: Officials in California extend COVID-19 lockdowns
- **India, U.K.:** Update: Flight suspension between countries extended until 7 January
- **Norway, U.K.:** Update: Norwegian government extends ban on flights from U.K. until 2 January, may extend ban further
- **U.K.:** Update: Lockdown measures in England to be extended because of rising COVID-19 cases
- **Taiwan:** Authorities report first case of new COVID-19 variant

AIRLINES / TRAIN:

- **South Africa:** Metrorail suspends all operations in Cape Town on 28 December after COVID-19 infection at management center
- **South Africa:** Update: Curfew prompts **Airlink** to reschedule some flights
- **Israel, Seychelles:** Update: **Air Seychelles** reduces Tel Aviv flights until 22 January 2021
- **Russia:** due to the decision of the Government of Russian Federation on extension of the period of the suspension of passenger air service with the United Kingdom, PJSC "**Aeroflot**" was forced to cancel flights on the London (LHR) - Moscow (SVO)* route from 29DEC20 to 12JAN21.
- **Turkey: Turkish Airlines** announces urgently that all customers (**including transit passengers**) are required to submit a negative PCR test, sampled maximum 72 hours prior to their entrance to Turkey. This procedure will be in effect as of 30 December 2020.

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This information is up to date at the time of publication and is subject to change without prior notice

The above (as uploaded in ATPI Alerts) are the most recent and urgent travel news. However, we suggest that you also follow the below links including updated news for any country of your interest.

IATA: <https://www.iatatravelcentre.com/international-travel-document-news/1580226297.htm>

IATA: <https://www.iata.org/en/programs/covid-19-resources-guidelines/covid-gov-mitigation/>

Travelport : <https://www.travelport.com/sites/default/files/2020-11/airline-policies.pdf>

Check the latest travel rules & restrictions for your trip here:

<https://apply.joinsherpa.com/travel-restrictions?affiliateId=americanairlines>

<https://klm.traveldoc.aero/>

Most importantly, make sure to safeguard your own health by following general hygiene rules and avoiding social gatherings. Responsibility is the key to overcoming those hard times and returning back to normal the soonest possible.

