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SUBJECT: *Aircraft disinsection for flights from major infectious diseases /Zika Virus affected areas*

1. On 1 February 2016, Zika virus disease was declared a public health emergency of international concern by the World Health Organization (WHO). The virus is known to circulate in Africa, the Americas, Asia and the Pacific. An association has been observed between Zika virus, congenital abnormalities (such as Microcephaly) and neurological disease. The virus is transmitted primarily by the bite of an infected Aedes mosquito. The risk of large-scale community outbreak of the Zika virus exists while the mosquito with the virus transmitted to Macau through international transport.
2. As a precautionary measure in order to control the vector (Aedes spp. mosquito) that spreads the Zika virus. Standard WHO recommendations regarding disinsection of aircraft from the infectious diseases/Zika Virus affected areas are mandated by Serviços de Saúde (Macau Health Bureau) **with update revision effective not later than 01 May 2023**. The guideline 005.CDC.DPC.GL.2023 is published on Macau Health Bureau web site (<https://www.ssm.gov.mo/portal/csr/ch/main.aspx>) under the section “Business & Workplace” of Disease Prevention Guidelines.
3. According with the guideline, airlines should regularly refer to WHO sources for the update of “Countries and territories with current or previous Zika virus transmission” and the “WHO aircraft disinsection methods and procedures” (<https://www.who.int/publications/i/item/9789240014459>).
4. All flights from Zika Virus affected areas to Macau are requested to carry out the aircraft disinsection procedures according to the guideline 005.CDC.DPC.GL.2023.
5. A pertinent certification on the General Declaration (including the Health/Hygiene part) and, in the case of residual treatment, the copy of Certificate of Residual Disinsection are required to be submitted upon aircraft arrival when aircraft disinsection has been performed.
6. If the item submitted (certificate copy or empty cans) reveals invalid disinsection treatment of an aircraft, Serviços de Saúde (Macau Health Bureau) will carry out field inspection on the disinsection procedures of the particular aircraft. Failure to comply with the subject aircraft disinsection requirements will result in the aircraft being sprayed on-arrival. This will incur a Fee for Service charge to the airline operator for flights arriving to Macau.
7. AIC A 04/16 is hereby cancelled.

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