Kuwait International Airport
EPIDEMIC VIRAL AND INFECTIOUS DISEASES Emergency Plan

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19. **Epidemic Viral and Infectious Diseases**

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Action by Air Traffic Services Unit

19.1.1 When a notification is received from the commander of the aircraft reporting that there is Epidemic or Viral case on his aircraft, the Air Traffic Services Unit duty supervisor shall inform the Emergency Operations Centre at the Kuwait International Airport so they can prepare for receiving the suspected case.

19.1.2 Coordinate with Movement Control Centre (MCC) for assigning a location for the infected aircraft.

19.1.3 Isolate the infected aircraft, which has the Epidemic or the Viral case away from the aircraft movement, passengers, and airport employees.
Action by the Emergency Operations Center

19.2.1 Call the Kuwait International Airport First Aid Centre so they can prepare for the suspected case.
19.2.2 Call the Emergency Operation Medical Center for initiating the necessary measures.
19.2.3 Inform Airport Facilitation Center about the suspected case so they can initiate the necessary measures and formalities.
19.2.4 Inform the Airline Company or the aircraft operator which are entitled to the suspected case.
19.2.5 Inform the Airport Security Department (MOI) to prevent getting close to the infected aircraft unless for the specialized staff.
Action by KIA Operation Department (Airport Facilitation Center)

19.3.1 Airport Facilitation Center Staff shall take the necessary measures to protect the passengers and airport employees from becoming contagious and coordinate with Ground Handling Agent Representative to isolate the suspected cases so the disease will not spread.

19.3.2 Assign a coordinator from the Airport Facilitation Center specialized in dealing with this type of cases and to coordinate with Head of Medical Team, Airline Company Representative and Ground Handling Agent to facilitate the suspected case and to initiate all necessary measures to prevent the disease from spreading.

19.3.3 Facilitate in exiting the patient from the airport when the need to transfer the patient to the Medical Hospital in coordination with the Airport First Aid Centre and KIA Passport Department (MOI).

19.3.4 Facilitate in passengers exiting the aircraft.
Action by the Aircraft Operator – Airline Company

19.4.1 The Commander of the aircraft shall notify the Air Traffic Services Unit of the Kuwait International Airport about the Epidemic or the viral case on the aircraft and should furnish the following information:

• Aircraft Identity
• Point of Departure
• Airport of Arrival
• Estimated Arrival time
• Numbers of Passengers on Board the Aircraft
• Numbers of Suspected Cases on Board the Aircraft
• Nature of the Danger to the Public Health if it is known to the Commander
Action by the Aircraft Operator – Airline Company Cont.

19.4.2 Assure of implementing all approved in-flight or ground company procedures related to the Epidemic, viral, and other contagious diseases.

19.4.3 The Commander of the aircraft shall inform the Ground Handling Agent with all the information he knows about the suspected case.

19.4.4 Coordinate with the Airport First Aid Centre with regards to the suspected case.

19.4.5 Coordinate with the Airport First Aid Centre and the Ground Handling Agent to sterilize the aircraft after evacuation of the suspected case and performing all necessary procedures.

19.4.6 Follow up on the suspected case at the medical hospital until it leaves and departs from the country.
Action by Airport First Aid Centre

19.5.1 Upon receiving a notification regarding a suspected case, The Airport First Aid Centre Medical Team shall proceed immediately to the location and start all initial medical examinations to determine whether the suspected case is (Normal, Infectious, Epidemic or Viral).

19.5.2 If the suspected case is Infectious or Epidemic or Viral, the patient shall be transferred to the Airport First Aid Center, isolated from other passengers, travelers, and employees for initiating the medical treatment process.

19.5.3 Gather extra informations from the patient relatives whom are traveling with him at the aircraft or at the airport.

19.5.4 Contact the Medical Hospital to transfer the patient and to finalize his treatment.
Action by Airport First Aid Centre

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19.5.5 Coordinate with the Airport Operation Department Coordinator with regard to the suspected case latest updates and facilitation process.

19.5.6 Create isolated infected passengers area before transporting them to the Airport First Aid Centre.

19.5.7 Provide all necessary preventive Medical Supplies for protecting the passengers and airport staff.

19.5.8 Create check up stations for the passengers travelers and for all airport users such as employees and staff.
Thank you