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CIRCULAR NOTE

UPDATE

Coronavirus Disease COVID-19

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Denmark, Protocol Department, presents its compliments to all Heads of Diplomatic Missions accredited to Denmark and to International Organizations and Other Missions resident in Copenhagen and has the honour to share the following, as per the attached press releases:

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs has changed its travel advice for the entire world to an "orange" risk classification or higher ("red"). Effective today and for a period of one month, i.e. from 13 March until 13 April 2020, the Ministry advises against all non-essential travel worldwide.

Furthermore, the Prime Minister has today announced that as of Saturday 14 March 2020 at 12:00 hours and the following days, the existing temporary border control will be expanded to include control of all Denmark's borders as part of the effort to curb the spread of the COVID-19. Subsequently, partial or total cancellations of train services, passenger ferries and flights are to be expected.

Persons wishing to enter Denmark must expect to be rejected entry at the border unless they have a worthy purpose for entering – e.g. if the person lives or works in Denmark or has been commissioned to provide goods or services in Denmark. The risk of being rejected at the border also applies to persons with a valid Schengen visa.

It will still be possible to apply for a visa to Denmark, however longer case processing should be expected and visas will only be granted in very limited instances. Further information will be posted here https://um.dk/en/travel-and-residence/how-to-apply-for-a-visa/

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To Heads of Diplomatic Missions accredited to Denmark and International Organisations and Other Missions resident in Copenhagen As regards the transport of goods and services, there is a strong emphasis on the importance of maintaining and not delaying the necessary supply chains, including food supply and Denmark's imports and exports to and from other countries. Therefore, there will not be blanket border control inspections of goods transport.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Denmark, Protocol Department, takes this opportunity to renew to all Heads of Diplomatic Missions accredited to Denmark and to International Organizations and Other Missions resident in Copenhagen the assurances of its highest consideration.

Copenhagen, 13 March 2020

