# ATPI NL Advisory 2020 / 26 MAR



# ATPI Alerts Travel Restrictions per Country due to Coronavirus (COVID-19)

#### Dear Valued Client,

Countries all over the world are implementing travel bans and restrictions in an effort to limit the spread of the COVID pandemic outbreak. Below you may find the most recent bans in short. Note that unexpected travel cancellations are taking place and airlines <u>status may change at any given time</u> without prior notice. The enlisted information are based on the officially announced governmental travel restrictions and quarantine measures.

To receive up to date travel information 24/7, we highly suggest that you also enroll to **ATPI Alerts** (more info on subscription details at the end of the text).

Below is a summary of the latest updates, please be aware it is not a complete overview of all current travel bans and restrictions.

#### **EUROPEAN COUNTRIES:**

- UK: London: London City Airport to close until end of April because of COVID-19. They will suspend all commercial and private flights from Wednesday evening, 25<sup>th</sup> March until the end of April following Britain's order that people should stay at home and stop travelling.
- 2. UK: the UK government advised to close all UK hotels. ATPI would recommend the traveller calls ahead on the day of arrival to check the hotel is still open.
- **3.** France: Paris Orly: is to close from midnight on March 31, operator Aéroports de Paris has confirmed. Orly's few remaining flights will be transferred to Paris CDG the capital's main airport.
- 4. France: Metro, bus and tram services in Paris will be severely restricted from Thursday onwards because of COVID-19. City transport operator RATP has revealed details of services from Thursday onwards, with limited services, closure of 50 Metro stations and restricted running times. Metro lines will be running at 30 percent of the normal service frequency while the RER and Transilien suburban trains will run at 25 percent. There will be bus replacement services to the suburbs after 10 p.m. Tram lines will continue to run, although both tramway and bus services have already been scaled back. The Noctilien night bus service will continue to run as normal, with the addition of an extra 20

shuttles running to and from hospitals for medical staff. The daytime bus service will continue as it is this week, but will be reduced from Monday.

- 5. Ukraine: will suspend all air and rail links with other countries from March 27 in a bid to contain the spread of the coronavirus.
- 6. Switzerland: set to close its borders completely from midnight, with only citizens, residents and those in possession of a cross-border working permit to be granted entry.
- **7. Russia**: The Russian government has ordered the civil aviation authority to suspend all regular and charter flights to and from Russia from March 27.
- 8. Albania: All land borders are closed

## ASIAN /AUSTRALIA COUNTRIES:

**9.** India: Bangalore: Kempegowda International Airport would remain closed to passengers from 23:29 on March 24 until 23:59 on March 31.

#### LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRIES:

No updates

## AFRICAN / MIDDLE EAST COUNTRIES:

- **10. Thailand**: Enhances measures to reduce the spread of COVID-19. All commercial flights between Vientiane and Bangkok will be discontinued after March 27 until further notice.
- **11. China**: Hongqiao Airport will suspend all international, Hong Kong, Macau, Taiwan inbound and outbound flight business. Hongqiao Airport will also transfer Hong Kong, Macao and Taiwan flights to Pudong Airport for operation.
- **12. China: Xiamen:** With immediate effect, passenger (including transit passengers) will be quarantined under centralized medical observation for 14 days
- **13.** Sudan: The Republic closed Juba International Airport to all international flights.
- **14. Iraq:** Iraq is extending a travel ban within the country and to and from its airports until April 11 as part of strict steps to curb the outbreak of the coronavirus.
- **15. Iran**: started an intercity travel ban on Thursday, amid fears for a second wave of coronavirus infections in the Middle East's worst-hit country.

#### USA/ CANADA:

**16. U.S.:** Multiple flights canceled at Will Rogers World Airport in Oklahoma City because of COVID-19. While not all flights are impacted, several flights to Atlanta, Houston, Dallas, Denver and Charlotte have been cancelled. The airport is now discouraging all nonessential travel during the outbreak.

## AIRLINES:

- 17. Netherlands: Transavia: all flights suspended until at least April 15th.
- **18. Romania: Tarom** suspended all domestic flights for at least 14 days starting March 25<sup>th</sup> and all flights to and from France and Germany beginning Thursday, March 26<sup>th</sup>.

- **19. Hungary: Wizz Air:** suspend all operations from its local bases in Timisoara, Craiova and Sibiu starting March 25.
- **20.** Albania: Air Albania Only one daily flight available departing Albania. Flight departs from Tirana for Istanbul, where you can connect to flights destined for the US. US Embassy urges you to immediately contact Air Albania to purchase a ticket. Seating availability is limited.
- **21. Namibia: Air Namibia:** all flights including domestic and inter-African connections will be suspended from March 27 till April 20. They will remain available for charter flights for humanitarian purposes, as well as airlifts or pharmaceutical supplies and consumables.
- **22. Nigeria: Arik Air:** will temporarily suspend all scheduled commercial flight operations effective 11:00 pm on Friday, March 27, 2020.
- **23. Nigeria: Aero Contractors:** effective March 26, 2020, it will suspend flight operations for 14 days in line with the exigencies of COVID-19.
- 24. Nigeria: Dana Air: suspended operations.
- 25. Nigeria: Air Peace: suspended operations.
- **26.** U.S.: Allegiant Airlines: has suspended all service through te rest of March, which includes flights from Oklahoma City to Las Vegas and to Destin, Florida.
- **27. U.S.: Alaska Airlines:** reducing its April and May flight schedule by 70 percent and is planning for substantial reductions for at least the next several months.

#### (Source: ATPI Alerts)

As the situation is constantly changing it is also a challenging one, we are doing our utmost to serve you and your travellers and to provide clarity when this can be given. Please stay informed by subscribing to <u>ATPI Alerts</u>.

