

[Legal Notice No. 215]

EMERGENCY POWERS ACT

(Cap. 11)

EMERGENCY POWERS (COVID-19) REGULATIONS 2021

**EMERGENCY POWERS (COVID-19)(PROHIBITION OF ENTRY)
(NO. 2) ORDER 2021**

EXCEPTION FOR ENTRY

I, Hon. Manasseh Damukana Sogavare, Prime Minister, under paragraph 6 of the *Emergency Powers (COVID-19)(Prohibition of Entry)(No. 2) Order 2021* (Legal Notice No. 196 of 2021), publish the following for the purpose of 7 citizens and 1 resident being able to enter Solomon Islands on or about 13 August 2021:

- (a) in my opinion, the exceptional reason why paragraph 5 of the *Emergency Powers (COVID-19)(Prohibition of Entry)(No. 2) Order 2021* should not apply to prohibit the 7 citizens and 1 resident (whose names are specified in paragraphs (b) and (c)) from entering Solomon Islands is that:
 - (i) the citizens and resident are members of the Solomon Islands Olympic team which has represented Solomon Islands at the Olympic Games 2021 in Tokyo; and
 - (ii) with the approval of Cabinet, they departed from Solomon Islands to compete in the Olympic Games 2021 on 19 July 2021, which was before the *Emergency Powers (COVID-19)(Prohibition of Entry)(No. 2) Order 2021* commenced; and
 - (iii) the Olympic team has competed in the Olympic Games and would like to return to Solomon Islands; and
 - (iv) each of the citizens and resident had been given the full dosage of a vaccine against COVID-19 before they departed from Solomon Islands; and
 - (v) each of the citizens and resident are assessed as having low risk of COVID-19 infection and transmission because of the following:
 - (A) the level of COVID-19 care provided to them in Tokyo was very good and they were tested for the presence of COVID-19 each day at the Olympic Village in Japan, and tested negative for COVID-19 for each test; and
 - (B) they have complied with regulation 31(2) of the *Emergency Powers*

(COVID-19) (No. 2) Regulations 2021 and 96 and 72 hours before departing from Japan have taken 2 qPCR tests for the presence of COVID-19, and tested negative for COVID-19 for each test; and

- (vi) the citizens and resident are not able to quarantine in any other country before entering Solomon Islands; and
 - (vii) each of the citizens and resident will be quarantined and tested for the presence of COVID-19 under regulation 32(3) and (5) of the *Emergency Powers (COVID-19) (No. 2) Regulations 2021* on their entry to Solomon Islands;
- (b) the names of the 7 citizens are:
- (i) Apollos Saeg;
 - (ii) Francis Manioru;
 - (iii) Martin Ba'ai Rara;
 - (iv) Mary Kini Lify;
 - (v) Melinda Soaika Avosa;
 - (vi) Sharon Kikini Firisua;
 - (vii) Stance Beula Sanga; and
- (c) the name of the resident is Naoyuki Fujiyama.

Made this thirteenth-day of August 2021.

HON. MANASSEH DAMUKANA SOGAVARE
PRIME MINISTER
