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**TO: LABOUR AFFAIRS COMMITTEE
ALL MEMBERS & ASSOCIATE MEMBERS
BI WEEKLY MEMBERS MEETING PARTICIPANTS
INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION GROUP PARTICIPANTS**

INFORMATION RELATED TO ROMANIA AND COVID 19

Action Required: Members are advised of new information kindly provided by the European Commission on restrictions (and important exceptions in bold) in Romania. Entry into Romania, through border crossing points of foreign citizens and stateless persons is forbidden by law^[1], with the following exceptions:

- a) Family members of Romanian citizens;
- b) Family members of the citizens of other member states of the European Union or of the European Economic Area or of the Swiss Confederation, with residence in Romania;
- c) Persons possessing a long-stay visa, a residence permit or a document equivalent to the residence permit issued by the state authorities or an equivalent document issued by the authorities of other states, according to the legislation of the European Union;
- d) Persons traveling in the professional interest, proven by visa, residence permit or other equivalent document, namely medical staff, medical researchers, medical staff for geriatric care, **carriers and other personnel involved in transport of goods providing such necessary transport;**
- e) Diplomatic or consular personnel, personnel of international organizations, as well as members of their family members accompanying them on permanent missions in Romania, military personnel or personnel who can provide humanitarian aid;
- f) Persons in transit, including those repatriated as a result of consular protection;
- g) Passengers traveling for imperative reasons;

- h) Persons in need of international protection or for other humanitarian reasons, persons subject to Regulation (EU) No 604/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 June 2013 establishing the criteria and mechanisms for determining the Member State responsible for examining an application for international protection lodged in one of the Member States by a third-country national or a stateless person, as well as persons returned on the basis of Readmission Agreements;
- i) Foreigners and stateless persons traveling for study purposes;
- j) Foreigners and stateless persons, highly qualified workers, if employment is necessary from an economic viewpoint and their activity cannot be postponed or conducted abroad;
- k) Foreigners and stateless persons, cross-border workers, seasonal workers, **maritime & river crewing** personnel;
- l) Members of international sports delegations participating in sports competitions organised in Romanian, according to the law;
- m) Members of film or audiovisual production crews, technical and artistic staff participating in cultural events occurring in Romania, based on proven contractual relationships or supporting documents.

[\[1\]](#) Defined according to the Government Emergency Ordinance no. 194/2002 on the regime of aliens in Romania, approved by the Law no. 357/2003, republished, with further modifications and completions

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