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OBJECTIVE

This document provides a situational update on airport status and Customs entry points during the COVID-19 pandemic.

COVID-19 CASES

Number of COVID-19 cases on the date of the GHRP: 7

Number of COVID-19 cases on August 26, 2020: 8,112

COUNTRY BRIEF

On 19 March 2020, Haiti declared a state of health emergency across the country. The latter is extended until 11 July 2020. The following measures have also been adopted: - A national curfew from 8 p.m. to 4 a.m. is in place; - Educational establishments, places of worship and factories are closed; - Meetings of more than ten people are prohibited; - The use of masks in public is compulsory.

(Information updated 2 June: International SOS and Government)

Haiti is a hotspot country in the Caribbean region with a total of 6,902 cases with 145 deaths. Resumption of international flights began on 8 June.

(Information updated 14 June: International SOS)

IMPORTATION MEASURES TO RESPOND TO COVID-19

QUESTIONS	ANSWERS
GLOBAL HUMANITARIAN RESPONSE PLAN	
Is there a Humanitarian Response Plan for the country?	Haiti was included in the United Nations' 2020 COVID-19 Global Humanitarian Response Plan (GHRP).
AIRPORT STATUS and FLIGHT RESTRICTIONS	
What is the status of international flights?	- Flights to Haiti restarted



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - But there are very few flights to Port-au-Prince (PAP) and Cap-Haitien (CAP) taking place. <p>(Information updated on June 30th, 2020: IATA and ICAO)</p>
What is the airlines cargo operational status?	
IMMIGRATION and QUARANTINE	
What quarantine measures apply for travelers?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Passengers are subject to medical screening - A completed Health Declaration Form must be presented to immigration upon arrival <p>(Information updated on June 30th, 2020: IATA)</p>
What visa restriction measures apply?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The land border with the Dominican Republic is open to pedestrian and vehicular traffic as of July 1. - Travelers arriving by air in Haiti will have their temperature screened upon arrival. - The Government of Haiti mandates that every person flying into Haiti self-declare their COVID-19 status. Beginning July 1, airlines began to distribute a health declaration form to passengers on all incoming flights. Passengers are required to complete this form, including accurate contact and location information in Haiti, and present it to immigration authorities upon arrival. <p>(Information updated on July 1st, 2020: https://ht.usembassy.gov/covid-19-information/)</p>
What curfew and lockdown measures apply?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Government of Haiti has implemented measures to limit the spread of COVID-19. Mask wearing is required in public and in instances where social distancing cannot be maintained. - A curfew is in place from 12 midnight to 4 A.M. - The Government of Haiti has stated it will impose a requirement that all arriving passengers self-quarantine for 14 days. The Ministry of Public Health (MSPP) will check in with passengers three times after arrival in Haiti, using information provided in the health declaration form, to determine any onset of COVID-19 symptoms. As of July 2, it is not certain when this requirement will take effect.



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	(Information updated on July 1st, 2020: https://ht.usembassy.gov/covid-19-information/)
IMPORTATION and CUSTOMS PROCEDURES	
What importation procedures related to taxes and duties have been introduced?	The Directorate General of Taxes - Certificate of tax compliance (Quitus), type B (Information from the General Customs Administration of Haiti)
What measures have been introduced to facilitate the smooth clearance of goods related to COVID-19?	Prior formalities to be completed for rapid Customs clearance: for NGOs, diplomatic missions, international and religious institutions, State bodies: The Ministry of Economy and Finance - Franchise letter (« Lettre de franchise ») NB: The franchise request is made to the reference ministry, which after analysis sends the file to the Ministry of Economy and Finance for approval or not. The Maritime Transport Company, The Air Transport Company, The Land Transport Company - Bill of lading: 1. Maritime transport (Bill of Lading-Navire) 2. Air transport (Airway Bill-Avion) 3. Land transport (Lettre de transport routier) Ministry of Public Health - For all pharmaceutical products, the certificate from the Ministry of Public Health is required. (Information from the General Customs Administration of Haiti)
What border closure measures apply (air, land, sea) that affect the importation of goods?	The land border with the Dominican Republic remains open in Dajabon for the movement of humanitarian cargo ships, accompanied by sanitary controls and the prior approval of the Customs authorities. The other entry points are closed. A slowdown in truck movements has been reported in the Dominican Republic. Cargo ship operations are proceeding normally. (Information dated 20 April: Logistics Cluster)



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What measures relate to the opening/closing times of Customs offices?	N/A
What other/general procedures apply regarding the importation of goods relevant to humanitarian operators?	N/A
RESTRICTIONS to EXPORTS	
What restrictions to export certain goods apply in response to the COVID-19 pandemic?	N/A
OTHER	
What is the availability of UNHAS flights to the country?	The operations of the United Nations Humanitarian Air Service (UNHAS) continue. (Information updated 2 June: WFP)
Has the country ratified Annex J-5 of the Kyoto Convention ? If so, when?	Not ratified.
Has the country ratified Annex B.9 of the Istanbul Convention ? If so, when?	Not ratified.
ASYCUDA user?	Yes.
ASYREC user?	No.

USEFUL LINKS

CIQP Bulletins for other countries are available [here](#).

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Other links:

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