COVID-19 PUBLIC HEALTH RESPONSE ACT 2020

SECTION 18 AUTHORISATION

1. In accordance with section 18 of the COVID-19 Public Health Response Act 2020 (“the Act”), I, Dr Ashley Bloomfield as Director-General of Health, authorise Aviation Security Officers (as defined at section 2 of the Civil Aviation Act 1990) to carry out the functions and powers of an enforcement officer as further described in this authorisation.

2. I am satisfied that Aviation Security Officers are suitably qualified and trained persons.

3. Subject to paragraph 4, I authorise Aviation Security Officers to carry out the following functions and powers of an enforcement officer under the Act:

   a. the power to give directions under section 21;
   b. the power to direct persons to provide identifying information under section 23; and
   c. the power to direct persons to produce evidence of compliance with a specified measure under section 23A.

4. An Aviation Security Officer may carry out powers and functions of an enforcement officer set out in paragraph 3 of this authorisation in respect of the following actions for the purpose of assisting in the implementation and enforcement of orders made under section 11 of the Act:

   a. checking evidence of a COVID-19 test or certificate in accordance with an order;
   b. checking evidence of permission to travel in accordance with an order;
   c. checking the location of destination of travel in accordance with an order;
   d. ensuring that travel requirements in place are complied with by people who are travelling; and
   e. monitoring the purposes for which people are travelling and, if necessary, directing the movement of persons who are not permitted to travel.

5. This authorisation will take effect from the date of the signature below and will continue to apply while the Epidemic Preparedness (COVID-19) Notice 2020 remains in force, unless revoked earlier in accordance with section 18(4) of the Act.

Dated at Wellington this ____ December 2021

Dr Ashley Bloomfield
Director-General of Health