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Dear Chief Education Officer
Director of Education Authority
Secretary to Education Authority

Subject: Circular 10: COVID-19 Lock Down Guide

Good morning to you all.

As communicated by the Oversight Committee of the Prime Minister's Office and Cabinet, I write to convey to you that Cabinet has approved for lockdown, which will commence at **6:00 pm on Wednesday 20 May and at 6:00 am Friday 22 May.**

For the benefit of all of us, lockdown is defined as an emergency protocol implemented by the Government in consultation with the relevant authorities and agencies that prevents people from leaving a given area. Find attached is the COVID-19 Lock Down Guide published by the Oversight Committee. Do read the guide to help you understand why, what and how to respond to the lockdown emergency protocol.

I would deeply appreciate if you provide a copy of the guide to your school principals (before Wednesday 20 May) in Honiara so that they are made aware of what to do during the lockdown period.

Based on the advisory issued by the Oversight Committee, the following should be noted.

1. Businesses and organisations including schools will need to adjust their closing time to allow their workers and themselves to be at home before **6:00 pm on Wednesday 20 May.**
2. Arrangements have been made for Honiara City Council to ensure the Honiara main-market is closed well before 6:00 pm on Wednesday 20 May.
3. The Ministry of Public Service has been advised and will put out a circular to public servants in Honiara to ensure they work on Wednesday 20 May for half day (up to 12

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noon). This is to ensure or enable public servants and all government employees to be at their homes before 6:00 pm.

4. Ministries and or Government Agencies that do provide essential services will be exempted and will be granted permits to continue work during the lockdown period.
5. After 6:00 am on Friday 20 May, all businesses are expected to recommence and so schools in Honiara are also expected to reopen.

I wish you all a pleasant week.

Yours respectfully,

Franco Rodie, PhD
Permanent Secretary

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