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To : NCAA MEDICAL CERTIFICATE HOLDERS
From : NIGERIAN CIVIL AVIATION AUTHORITY
Subject : SEVENTY-TWO (72) HOURS 'NO FLIGHT DUTY OR NO SAFETY RELATED DUTY' BY ALL NCAA MEDICAL CERTIFICATE HOLDERS

The Nigerian Civil Aviation Authority (NCAA) has determined that **NO** NCAA Medical certificate holder shall act as pilot in command, or any capacity as a required flight crew member or Air Traffic Controller, **72 hours** after taking each dose of Oxford/Astrazeneca, Pfizer-BioNTech, Moderna, and Johnson & Johnson COVID-19 vaccines.

The Authority made this determination after a careful evaluation of available medical information about the above mentioned COVID-19 vaccines and their potential side effects.

In line with this determination and provisions of Nigeria Civil Aviation Regulations (Nig. CARs) 1.2.1.7. – '**Prohibition on Performance During Medical Deficiency**' which states: **(a) A person who holds a current medical certificate issued under these Regulations shall not act in a capacity for which that medical certificate is required while that person:**

(1) Knows or has reason to know of any medical condition that would make the person unable to meet the requirements for the required medical certificate; or (2) Is taking medication or receiving other treatment for a medical condition that results in the person being unable to meet the requirements for the required medical certificate, each person subject to this Regulation who receives COVID-19 vaccine must wait 72 hours after each dose before acting as Pilot in Command or as a required flight crew member or Air Traffic controller.

In the event that an NCAA medical certificate holder experiences side effects after the 72-hour period has elapsed, the medical certificate holder may not act as pilot in command, or in any other capacity as a required flight crew member or Air traffic controller as described at Nig. CARs 1.2.1.7. (a) for the duration of the symptoms.

The following duties can be performed during the 72 -hour post-vaccination observation period: providing/receiving flight simulator or aviation training device instruction,

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including ground instruction or operational training not involving flight operations; administrative tasks; *dead-heading/jump-seating*; and distance learning.

As additional data becomes available and the medical understanding of the side effect profile matures, the Authority will reevaluate the "No Fly/No Safety-Related Duty" timeframe, as appropriate.

NCAA Medical certificate holders are to ensure strict compliance to this directive.



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