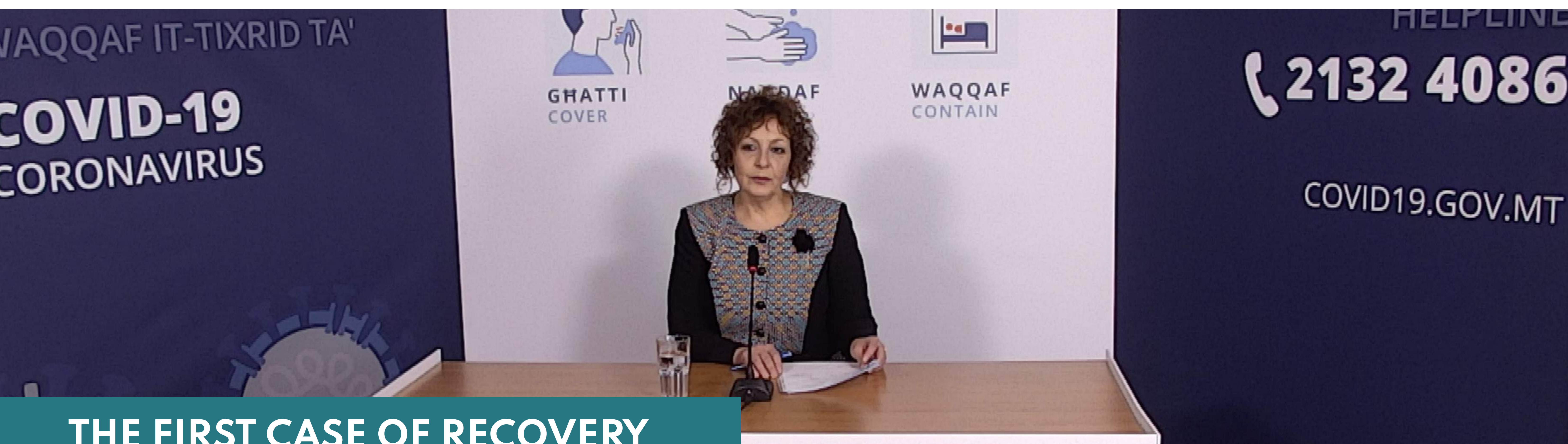




NEW MEASURES ANNOUNCED

The obligation for **mandatory quarantine** has been **extended for all those who enter Malta**, irrespective of the country **from which they arrive**. This means that, with **effect from today**, **all those who arrive in Malta from abroad** will be subject to a **14-day mandatory quarantine period**. Those who are **caught breaking quarantine will be fined €1000 each time they are not found at home**. **Foreigners working in Malta** who break mandatory quarantine, apart from the €1000 fine will have their **working license revoked, and will be deported**. **All passengers** who are going to Gozo **aboard the Gozo Channel ships will also start being screened**. **No standing people aboard buses** will be permitted. The **maximum number** of passengers will thus be **limited to those who can be seated**. **A number of online services** from health centres will be **launched to limit the number of people who visit such centres**.



THE FIRST CASE OF RECOVERY FROM CORONAVIRUS IN MALTA

A mother who had tested **positive to Coronavirus**, in what was the first case of the country last Saturday, **has recovered**. Health authorities have **confirmed** that **the woman has twice tested negative in tests that were made in a span of 24 hours**. Thus, according to established guidelines, **this woman is considered to have recovered from Coronavirus**. She **will be released from hospital** and will be **kept quarantined in her house for the coming days as a precaution**.



ELDERLY PERSONS AND COVID-19

Elderly persons are to **avoid going out of their homes** as long as it is not absolutely necessary. **Personal contact of elderly persons**, especially with **children**, should be as **minimal as possible**. **Day Centres** have closed, and **visits to elderly persons' homes** (including **Government, Church, and private ones**) have been suspended.



SERVICES FOR THE ELDERLY

Helpers will be **buying food and medicines** only for those **elderly persons who have no one to assist them**. Those who are on the **medicines form** will be **given a stock of two months** under the **Pharmacy of Your Choice scheme**. For now, the **other services will be suspended**. CommCare services, the Dementia Intervention Team, Allied Health Services, the Social Work Service, and Respite within residences for the elderly **will only be given in urgent and essential cases**. **Telecare, Continence, and Respite services in people's private households** as well as **Meals on Wheels** will **continue operating as normal**. **The Handyman, Tuk Tuk, and night shelter services will be suspended**.



NEW COVID CASES IN OUR COUNTRY

So far, **12 Coronavirus cases** have been confirmed in the country. All of these were **imported from foreign countries**, and **no local transmission** has been registered. The latest **three cases** involve a **Maltese person** who arrived from **Munich**, a **Maltese person** who arrived from **Brussels**, and an **Italian woman** resident in Malta who arrived from **Paris**. All are in a good health condition, and are currently **quarantined**.



DIRECTIVES FROM THE CHURCH OF MALTA

The Bishops of Malta and Gozo have **suspended all religious functions**, including **daily and Sunday Mass** as well as **children's catechism**. This **precautionary measure** came into force with **immediate effect** and will **remain applicable until otherwise stated**. In the case of a **funeral**, the priest will **lead the rite of committal** in the cemetery in the presence of the **closest relatives**. The priest will then, **in private**, perform **Mass** for the repose of the soul of the deceased. Churches will be **open at the usual times** for moments of private prayer.



HELPLINES

111 – For those who **feel symptoms of COVID-19** or who wish further **information**.

+356 2204 2200 – For Maltese residents **who were caught in one of the high-risk countries and wish to return to Malta**.

+356 21411 411 – For those in **mandatory quarantine** who require provisions of food and medicine.

25981000 – For those who have **questions about the educational sector and the impact of the coronavirus**.