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EXTRAORDINARY MEASURE

The Ministry of Health, as the competent administrative authority pursuant to Section 80(1)(g) of Act No. 258/2000 Coll., on public health protection and amending certain related acts, as amended (hereinafter referred to as “Act No. 258/2000 Coll.”), orders, proceeding pursuant to Section 69(1)(i) and (2) of Act No. 258/2000 Coll., in protecting the population and preventing the occurrence and spread of the COVID-19 disease caused by the new SARS-CoV-2 coronavirus, this Extraordinary Measure:

I.

1. All persons are prohibited from being present in retail outlets selling foodstuffs, hygiene products, cosmetics, and other druggist products, with a sales area of more than 500 sq m., between 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m., with the exception of:

- persons over the age of 65 years, including their necessary accompanying persons;
- persons holding a disability certificate (ZTP/P), over the age of 50 years, including their necessary accompanying persons;
- employees of a facility providing care services or persons in a similar situation; and
- owners and employees of the shop operator or persons in a similar situation.

2. All businesses operating retail outlets selling foodstuffs, hygiene products, cosmetics, and other druggist products, with a sales area not exceeding 500 sq m, are ordered to give priority, in sales in such an outlet, to persons over the age of 65 years and to persons holding a disability certificate (ZTP/P) older than 50.

II.

This Extraordinary Measure shall take effect on 25 March 2020.

III.

Extraordinary Measure Ref. No. MZDR 12501/2020-3/MIN/KAN of 19 March 2020 is hereby rescinded.

Rationale:

This Extraordinary Measure has been issued in connection with the adverse development of the epidemiological situation in terms of the occurrence of the COVID-19 disease, caused by the novel coronavirus designated as SARS-CoV-2 in the Czech Republic.

With a view to the fact that seniors and handicapped persons are particularly vulnerable groups threatened by the COVID-19 disease, two hours per day are hereby reserved for them for the purchase of essential goods (foodstuffs, druggist products) and it is ordered that they be given priority in sales in small outlets. This shall limit the possibilities of the transmission of the SARS-CoV-2 virus from other persons to those who are over the age of 65.

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