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### **MHHS UPDATES ON TESTING, QUARANTINE AND ISOLATION IN PALAU**

The Ministry of Health and Human Services (MHHS) informs the public of the following updates on testing, quarantine and isolation for in-bound travelers:

- The three (3) identified cases of COVID-19 and thirty-three<sup>1</sup> (33) close contacts received their day 5 tests today, October 13, 2021. Below are the results of their tests.
  - One (1) of the identified cases of COVID-19 tested positive while the other two (2) tested negative on day 5. They continue to be monitored in isolation before undergoing further testing on day 10.
  - All thirty-three (33) close contacts tested negative of COVID-19 on day 5. They remain in quarantine before undergoing further testing on day 10.

MHHS continues to thank the public for its support, and will provide more information as it becomes available.

If you have any questions or need further information, please contact the MHHS EOC Incident Commander Ms. Ritter Udui at 775-0084 or the MHHS EOC Deputy Incident Commander, Mr. Gaafar Uherbelau at 775-1310. For all other COVID-19 related information, call the MHHS COVID-19 Hotline at 488-0555 during regular working hours.

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<sup>1</sup> Initially, there were 42 identified close contacts, but 9 left the country on October 11, 2021