



MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS AND TRADE

Remarks from PM Viktor Orban's speech in the Hungarian Parliament: March 16, 2020

- **The Prime Minister reviewed the measures of the state of emergency announced last week.**
 - Declaration of a State of Emergency.
 - Ban on entry to foreign citizens arriving from Italy, China, South-Korea, Iran and Israel.
 - Hungarian citizens arriving from the aforementioned countries may enter Hungary, but will be subject to immediate quarantine protocol enforced by law.
 - Limitations on indoor and outdoor events.
 - Closing of schools and universities, transitioning to distance education.

- **The Prime Minister announced further measures to take effect at midnight (March 16)**
 - Hungary will close its borders to passenger traffic. Only Hungarian citizens and EEA citizens holding a residence permit will be allowed to enter the country, starting midnight, March 16.
 - Additionally, all events in Hungary will be banned. Sport events are to be held behind closed doors, should the organizers choose to hold them.
 - Clubs, entertainment venues, pubs, cinemas and cultural institutions will be closed.
 - Cafés, restaurants and stores are subject to limited opening hours until 15:00. This limitation does not apply to pharmacies, food and drug stores.
 - Municipal and local authorities are obliged to organize provisioning and caretaking for elderly people staying at home.