



SIMULATION EXERCISE FOR TESTING OF THE INTERNATIONAL HEALTH REGULATIONS (2005) AT THE POINT OF ENTRY: AIRPORT ALEXANDER THE GREAT – SKOPJE

Agenda

Simulation exercise under scenario for Ebola suspected case

November 18, 2014 (Tuesday)

Time	Activity and venue
15:15	Departure of the participants from the hotel Alexandar Palas
15:50	Starting with the realization of the simulation exercise at the Alexander the Great Airport.
Alexander the Great Airport-runway	
15:55	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• A four-member team (2 airport doctors, epidemiologist and infectologist from the Emergency Response Team) arrives at the runway in two airport emergency care vehicles.• Arrival of a vehicle of the Centre for Public Health for DDD.
15:55-16:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The team on board directly approaches the two suspected passengers seated at 8A and 8B, as informed by the flight attendant. They ask for the necessary epidemiological information.• At the same time, the team reports by telephone to the Rapid Risk Assessment Team and consults on the measures (crisis headquarters at the Ministry of Health)
16:00-16:05	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The suspected passengers are being assisted and escorted by the team members to the sanitary vehicles waiting outside. They are put in the two vehicles on stretchers, one by one.• The first vehicle is accompanied by a doctor from the airport service whereas the second one is accompanied by the infectologist.• A person of the DDD service disinfects the aircraft stairs.
16:05-16:10	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The remaining two doctors from the team stay behind in the aircraft si to identify the passengers that might have been in contact with the suspected passengers; 7 passengers in total, as well as the two flight attendants.• This group of 9 passengers is being transferred by a 10-seater airport van whose driver wears protective clothes. They are transferred to the quarantine rooms.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The remaining passengers are taken to the passport control by bus.
16:10-16:15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The passengers from the van are transferred to the quarantine room by the epidemiologist and one of the airport doctors. A person from the DDD service disinfects once more the aircraft stairs before the remaining passengers get off the aircraft. The passengers on the bus are guided to the passport control. A person of the DDD service – Center for Public Health Skopje disinfects the two doctors in front of the aircraft with a pump sprayer. Demonstration of removal and dispose off the personal protective equipment in yellow plastic bags. Two ambulance vehicles from the Emergency Care Unit (ECU) of the Health Centre Skopje arrive at the airport through the authorized entry point with the purpose of transferring the suspected passengers to the Clinic for Infectious Diseases and Febrile Conditions.
Alexander the Great Airport Entrance gate	
16:15-16:25	The ministers examine the isolation and quarantine rooms.
16:25-16:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> At Entrance gate arrive the two airport medical vehicles, carrying the two suspected passengers along with the two doctors. They are sent to the isolation room where the suspected passengers are given emergency medical care. A person from the DDD service disinfects the transportation route. The van transporting 9 persons* arrives and they are put in the quarantine room. A person from the DDD service disinfects the transportation route. The remaining 30 passengers also arrive at Entrance gate. Following the passport control, they are welcomed by doctors who educate them and give them information materials. Representatives of the State Sanitary and Health Inspectorate prepare documentation for putting them under medical supervision. Once these activities are realized, the 30 passengers are transferred to the city of Skopje by an airport bus.
16:30-16:35	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Two sanitary vehicles of the Emergency Care Unit with a driver, doctor and a nurse wearing protective equipment arrive at airport Entrance gate. They go to the isolation room and put each passenger on a stretcher and into the sanitary vehicles. The vehicles head for the Clinic for Infective Diseases and Febrile Conditions under police escort.
16:35-16:40	The Centre for Public Health and a personnel wearing protective equipment perform mechanical cleaning and complete disinfection of the entire aircraft, of both airport sanitary vehicles and of the interior, together with the TAV personnel.