



AFGHANISTAN IN THE URGENCY OF TACKLING THE PANDEMIC

A Message from the Embassy and Permanent Mission of the Islamic Republic
of Afghanistan to the International Community

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The Islamic Republic of Afghanistan is facing the extensive consequences of the coronavirus pandemic and has regularly been implementing measures to limit its spread. In this critical situation, the provision of assistance to the countries in need is essential. Afghanistan now more than ever needs the support and cooperation of the international community in suppressing the outbreak of the COVID-19 pandemic.

The Embassy and Permanent Mission of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan in Vienna appeals to the international community for greater solidarity to Afghanistan at this critical time to prevent a larger-scale outbreak of the coronavirus among the most vulnerable communities.

The COVID-19 pandemic knows no borders, it is a crisis that affects us all and needs a global solution at a regional and international level. Global efforts to fight the virus will only be fully successful and lasting when no country is left behind and no less Afghanistan, at the toehold of the Eurasian land bridge at the heart of Asia.

With the increase of Afghans returning home and the risk of overwhelmed medical and social services, the government of Afghanistan is in urgent need of essential supplies in the fight against the pandemic ([List of needs - MoH](#)).

We attach great importance to the role of international organizations and the international community to face this challenge. We must take a collective approach in line with the principle of shared responsibility in order to protect the human rights of all people who are facing incredible hardships in combatting this crisis.

Multilateral action, diplomacy and international solidarity are the joint efforts to combat against this pandemic.