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Argentina - Extension of Administrative Decisions to Fight COVID-19

In light of the evolving coronavirus situation, Argentina's government announced on 12 June new measures, including an extension of existing coronavirus preventive measures until 25 June. Borders will remain closed.

The provisions aim to protect the Argentine population and prevent the further spread of coronavirus/COVID-19. (For prior coverage of Phase 1, see [GMS Flash Alert 2020-058](#), 13 March 2020; for our most recent report, see [GMS Flash Alert 2021-154](#), 27 May 2021.)

Decree N° 381/2021 suspends in-person gatherings in economic, industrial, commercial, cultural, sports, religious, educational, tourist, recreational, and social activities until 25 June.¹ It is expected that this will have considerable impact on how Argentines and foreign individuals live in Argentina.

Additionally, Argentina's government, with Administrative Decision N° 589/2021, announced the country's borders will remain closed until 25 June,² and suspended flights coming and going to Great Britain, Brazil, Chile, and India due to the prevalence of new strains of the virus in those countries.

Measures prohibiting group gatherings, closing borders, advising people to keep 1.5 meters apart, and confining people to their homes, are still in place to prevent the spread of the coronavirus due to the lack of vaccines.

WHY THIS MATTERS

The closures and the suspension of activities, the restrictions on mobility, and travel disruptions may require that employers re-consider their personnel and work arrangements due to the evolving situation.

Given current circumstances, remote working may be a "best practice" for globally-mobile employees – apart from essential workers – to the extent possible and is a way for employers to foster the safety of their employees and help with business continuity.

KPMG NOTE

Any individuals impacted by the travel restrictions extension may wish to consult with their global mobility advisers and immigration legal counsel as soon as possible for advice on next steps.

The KPMG International member firm in Argentina is tracking these matters closely. We will endeavor to keep readers of *GMS Flash Alert* posted on any important developments as and when they occur.

FOOTNOTES:

1 See Decree 381/2021 (*Decreto 382/2021*), published (in Spanish) in the *Boletín Oficial* at: <https://www.boletinoficial.gob.ar/detalleAviso/primera/245585/20210612> .

2 See Administrative Decision 589/2021 (*Decisión Administrativa 589/2021*), published (in Spanish) in the *Boletín Oficial* at: <https://www.boletinoficial.gob.ar/detalleAviso/primera/245586/20210612> .

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