

**UPDATE: Situation monitored by the TCT Secretariat on 25 April 2020**

**WESTERN BALKANS**

**Albania: No change since previous report.**

**Bosnia and Herzegovina: Update information is indicated as bold text at the end of the table.**

Regional participant	General	Land	Aviation	Maritime
<b>Bosnia and Herzegovina</b>	<p>Temporary closure of international border crossings for passenger traffic in Bosnia and Herzegovina. Only freight cargo traffic will be allowed. The decision enters into force on 30<sup>th</sup> March at 6:00 AM. The Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina issued an order on restriction of movement of citizens in its territory from 6:00 PM to 5:00 AM, which came into force on Sunday, 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2020.</p> <p>The Republic of Srpska issued an order on restriction of movement of citizens in its territory from 8 PM to 5 AM, which came into force on Sunday, 22 March 2020.</p> <p>Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina – Federal Authority of Civil Protection issued an order that bans movement of citizens and staying outdoors without keeping a distance less than 1.5 metres. The same order allows taxi drivers to transport only one person at a time, respecting the hygienic and epidemiologic measures and mandatory usage of protective mask and gloves, both for taxi driver and the passenger.</p>	<p>In case of international transit by road, cargo crew cannot stay more than 12 hours on the territory of Bosnia and Herzegovina.</p> <p>The Council of Ministers adopted a Decision with a list of border crossing points between Bosnia and Herzegovina, the Republic of Croatia, the Republic of Serbia and Montenegro for the transport of goods in transit and routes allowing the movement of freight motor vehicles registered in other countries in transit.</p> <p>The border crossings for transit through Bosnia and Herzegovina with the Republic of Croatia are: 1 – Bijača – Nova Sela; 2 – Gradiška – Stara Gradiška, 3 – Šamac – Slavonski Šamac. with the Republic of Serbia: Rača – Sremska Rača and with Montenegro: Klobuk – Ilino Brdo.</p>	<p>Airports in Sarajevo, Mostar, Banja Luka and Tuzla closed from 30<sup>th</sup> March 2020.</p>	

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	<p>The Council of Ministers has been informed by the Ministry of Foreign Trade and Economic Relations on the regional measures to facilitate the circulation of essential goods due to the crisis caused by the COVID-19. At the proposal of the Ministry of Communication and Transport, the Council of Ministers of Bosnia and Herzegovina adopted the Joint proposal prepared by the Permanent Secretariat of the Transport Community and the CEFTA Secretariat to facilitate the transport and trade of essential goods within the Western Balkans.</p> <p>Republika Srpska requested to the Council of Ministers of Bosnia and Herzegovina to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Negotiate with the Republic of Croatia regarding freight road transport operation, in which representatives of the entities and Brčko district would also take part.</li> <li>-Enable passing of freight motor vehicles transiting through the Republic of Croatia in all directions, on border crossing Šamac, which is now not feasible.</li> <li>-Enable presence of veterinary inspection on border crossing Šamac which is one of the three border crossings with the Republic of Croatia for transit of freight motor vehicles.</li> <li>-Enable transit of freight motor vehicles through the Republic of Croatia without convoy formations.</li> <li>-Enable transit of freight motor vehicles through the Republic of Croatia also on the border crossing Izačić.</li> </ul>	<p>As of 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2020 at 7:00 AM, 20 cross-border traffic points between the Republic of Croatia and Bosnia and Herzegovina, mostly used by local communities, are closed. The closed cross-border traffic points are: Svilaj, Gejkovac, Pašin Potok, Bogovolja, Kordunski Ljeskovac, Licka Kaldrma, Bili Brig, Aržano Pazar, Dvorine, Cera, Jovića Most, Sebišina, Slivno, Podprolog, Unka, Vukov Klanac, Imotica, Slano, Hrvatska Dubica and Gabela Polje.</p> <p>Starting from 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2020, in the entity of the Republic of Srpska, passenger public road transport on distances longer than 50 km is suspended.</p> <p>The Council of Ministers of Bosnia and Herzegovina will establish a team for negotiation with the Republic of Serbia regarding freight road transport operation.</p> <p>As of 4<sup>th</sup> April 2020 from 01:00 PM , to 6<sup>th</sup> April 2020 until 05:00 AM, a prohibition of crossing the state border at all international border crossing points towards the Republic</p>		
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		<p>of Serbia for passenger motor vehicles and pedestrians, shall enter into force, due to the introduction of a curfew on the territory of the Republic of Serbia. This prohibition does not apply to the traffic of freight motor vehicles.</p> <p>Some rail border crossings, including Sremska Raca and Mokra Gora with Serbia, are closed. BCP Brasina/Mali Zvornik with Serbia works from 07-19:00 based on agreement between railway undertakings. Custom is available 24h, working by call.</p> <p>International freight transport with Croatia is performed over the border crossing points on Corridor Vc – Capljina/Metkovic and S.Samac/B.Samac.</p> <p>Republic Headquarter for Emergency Situations of Republika Srpska adopted Conclusion on work of Custom Unit Zvornik (Karakaj), demanding from Indirect Taxation Authority to organize custom service in Custom Unit Zvornik (Karakaj) 00-24h for unrestricted flow of goods.</p>		
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		<p>The Croatian National Civil Protection Headquarters has decided that as of 19 April 2020 at 18:00h, there will be no more escorts for trucks arriving in Bosnia and Herzegovina, with aim to significantly reduce the detentions at border crossing points.</p> <p><b>From Friday, 24<sup>th</sup> April 2020 at 5:00 PM to Monday, 27<sup>th</sup> April 2020 at 5:00 AM, the traffic for all passenger vehicles and for pedestrians towards th Republic of Serbia will be suspended, and only the traffic of freight motor vehicles will be carried out.</b></p>		
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**North Macedonia: No change since previous report.**

**Kosovo\*: No change since previous report.**

**Montenegro: No change since previous report.**

**Serbia: No change since previous report.**

\* This designation is without prejudice to positions on status and is in line with UNSC 1244 and the ICJ Opinion on Kosovo Declaration of Independence.