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NINETEEN (19) NEW COVID-19 CASES

St. Vincent and the Grenadines today confirmed nineteen (19) new COVID-19 cases. One of the new cases is a national who arrived from the USA on December 10, 2020 with a negative PCR test and tested negative on both entry and day 5 quarantine testing. The adult however tested positive on exit screening on January 5, 2021. All of the eighteen (18) other new cases are nationals without a recent travel history. The total number of cases under investigation is now ninety-nine (99). There are five (5) distinct clusters and several cases which have not been linked. Contact tracing, further linking and testing related to all of these local cases are ongoing.

St. Vincent and the Grenadines has now recorded two hundred and twenty-five (225) cases of COVID-19. One hundred and six (106) persons have recovered and one hundred and nineteen (119) remain active. All positive cases will continue to be isolated until cleared by two negative tests.

Due to the extensive testing being conducted as part of contact tracing and the screening of persons with flu-like symptoms, there is currently a back log of approximately 400 COVID-19 tests awaiting analysis.

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