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## **PRESS RELEASE** FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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## ONE (1) NEW COVID-19 CASE

One (1) new COVID-19 positive case was reported from sixty-one (61) samples processed on Sunday August 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2021, resulting in a positivity rate of 1.6%. No new COVID-19 positive cases were reported from two hundred and nineteen (219) samples processed on Monday August 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2021.

No new recoveries were noted over the reporting period. Thirty-seven (37) cases are currently active and twelve (12) persons with COVID-19 have died. Two thousand three hundred and twenty-one (2321) cases of COVID-19 and two thousand, two hundred and seventy-two (2272) recoveries have been recorded in St. Vincent and the Grenadines since March 2020.

In view of the increased risk of infection with and subsequent transmission of COVID-19 posed by the growing incidence of variants of concern in persons entering St. Vincent and the Grenadines, strict compliance with all protocols and recommendations including the effective use of masks, physical distancing, hand sanitizing and immunization with the available vaccines is strongly recommended.

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