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## COVID-19 – Update Concerning Further Restrictions on Entry into Israel

The State of Israel has recently imposed increasingly restrictive measures on transport into Israel due to the outbreak of the Corona virus pandemic. Until March 18, 2020 these measures required any travelers into Israel who are not citizens or residents of Israel to show that they have the means required to comply with the 14 day home quarantine period imposed on every person entering Israel from abroad. As of the evening of March 18, 2020, the Israeli Population and Immigration Authority adopted a new and stricter policy, pursuant to which persons who are not Israeli nationals or residents will not be permitted to enter into Israel even if they can prove their ability to comply with the required home quarantine period. This restriction will not apply, however, to individuals whose center of life is in Israel.

This latest restriction might further limit the ability of international parties to contracts that require performance in Israel to comply with their contractual obligations or to take measures in order to mitigate the effects of the Corona virus pandemic and its implications. Parties to such contracts should review their position under the contract and applicable law and consider taking the required measures, such as informing the other parties to the contract of the updated restrictions and implementing mitigation measures that do not require entry into Israel.

Below please find a link to an English version of the policy adopted by the Israeli Population and Immigration Authority:

[https://www.gov.il/en/departments/news/no\\_entry\\_to\\_foreigners\\_18032020](https://www.gov.il/en/departments/news/no_entry_to_foreigners_18032020)

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