

The background of the page is a dark, almost black, field filled with numerous glowing, ethereal shapes in shades of blue and cyan. These shapes resemble liquid droplets, bubbles, or perhaps abstract representations of molecular structures. They are interconnected, with some appearing as thin, translucent tubes or filaments that branch out, while others are more rounded and bulbous. The overall effect is one of dynamic, organic movement and light. The shapes vary in opacity, with some appearing as bright, glowing outlines and others as more solid, though still translucent, forms. The lighting is soft and diffused, creating a sense of depth and a futuristic, scientific atmosphere.

**EQUATORIAL
GUINEA**
MANAGING THE
IMPACTS OF
COVID-19

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In accordance with data provided by Equatorial Guinea's Ministry of Information, a meeting of the Political Committee for the Surveillance and Fight against the Coronavirus (*Comité Político de Vigilancia y Lucha Contra el Coronavirus*) took place on 13 April 2020.

The meeting was called by the Vice President of Republic of Equatorial Guinea (that heads said Committee) further to a first COVID-19 case by local contagion being diagnosed in the capital city Malabo.

During the Committee's meeting it was decided to strengthen the measures to contain the spread of the COVID-19 outbreak, including that:

- Save for public and private administration officials, as well as supermarkets, grocery stores and pharmacies of all districts of the Insular Region, **the population of said Insular Region must remain in strict confinement during the 48 hours following the meeting;**
- Shops and factories will stay closed;
- The captain and crew members of trade ships will be tested for COVID-19; and
- Masks will be distributed for free to the population by the Government and their use is mandatory.

State Order, Defence and Security Officials will be in charge of making sure that these measures are complied with.

The Vice President of the Republic indicated that these measures will be adopted by a Government's Order.

We plan to continue issuing updates on the measures put in place in the Country.

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