



March 16, 2016

Exempt Research Certificate

Dear Applicant,

The Research Division at Ministry of Public Health (MoPH) has reviewed the research project titled *Knowledge, Attitudes, and Practices of Travelers going to and Coming from Zika Virus (ZIKV) Affected Region Versus Travelers to Non-Affected Regions* provided by the Principal Investigator. The Principal Investigator, Dr. Elmoubasher Abu Baker Abd Farag, confirmed that there will be no collection of identifiable information. Upon review, the survey has been categorized as exempt research.

However, please note that in accordance with MoPH policy, the regulations state that “research involving...interview procedures...**{is exempt from this policy}** unless (1) information obtained is recorded in such a manner that human subject can be identified directly or through identifiers linked to the subject **and** (2) disclosure of the human subject” responses outside the research could reasonably place the subjects at risk of criminal or civil liability, or be damaging to the subjects’ financial standing, employability, or reputation”. Under conditions mentioned in (1) and (2), the proposal must be reviewed by an Institutional Review Board Committee.

If we can be of further assistance, please contact us at 974-4407-0363 or via email at IRB@sch.gov.qa

Sincerely,

Dr. Eman Sadoun
Manager of Clinical Research
Ministry of Public Health
dresadoun@sch.gov.qa