

# *UN secretary general blasts travel apartheid as nations deny entry to Africans over Omicron*

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United Nations, December 4 (RHC)-- United Nations Secretary-General António Guterres has condemned travel bans imposed by dozens of countries on Southern African nations that first detected the Omicron variant, blasting the restrictions as “travel apartheid.”

Guterres noted the virus had already appeared in Europe before it was first detected in Africa, and is now in dozens of countries around the world. The UN chief said: “The people of Africa cannot be blamed for the immorally low level of vaccinations available to them, nor should they be collectively punished for identifying and sharing crucial science and health information with the world. With a virus that is truly borderless, travel restrictions that isolate any one country, or region, are not only deeply unfair and punitive, they are ineffective.”

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