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Subject: RE: nCov 2019 Updates Jan 23 _ 2nd Case in US

Ongoing CDC Press Conference:

2nd confirmed case identified in Chicago
 Female in 60's
 Traveled to Wuhan late December 2019
 Returned to Chicago on 13 January 2020 – no symptoms during travel
 Symptoms a few days after return
 Contacted her doctor, isolated and hospitalized, currently doing well
 No travel on public transportation, no public gatherings, mostly at home limited close contacts
 Contact tracing under way – Close contacts are asymptomatic

Regards,
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Subject: RE: nCov 2019 Updates Jan 23 _ IHR US Case & Today's Press conference

Hi:

Attached is the IHR EIs on the US case of nCoV. **It is USG Only.** CDC website info is <https://www.cdc.gov/media/releases/2020/p0121-novel-coronavirus-travel-case.html>

Also, there is a teleconference at 10 am (below).

Philip

CDC Telebriefing: Update on 2019 Novel Coronavirus (2019-nCoV)

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) will provide an update on the 2019 Novel Coronavirus response.

Friday, January 24, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. ET

Dial-In:

Media: (b)(6)

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Transcripts will be posted as soon as they are available

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Subject: RE: nCov 2019 Updates Jan 23 _ 2nd Case in Korea

Hi:

ECDC Weekly update. Attached and link below.

<https://www.ecdc.europa.eu/sites/default/files/documents/communicable-disease-threats-report-25-jan-2020-PUBLIC.pdf>

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HI:

Second confirmed case in Korea.

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Subject: RE: nCov 2019 Updates GDDOC_5th Case in Thailand (1 strongly suspected case, awaiting confirmation)

Hi:

The MOPH held a press conference this afternoon to announce the 5th case. We thought it would be the case described below and in the SITREP but evidently, there is another 33 yo Chinese woman picked up at a private hospital. This brings our total to 6 (5 reported publically)

https://www.bangkokpost.com/thailand/general/1842939/fifth-coronavirus-case-in-thailand#cxrecs_s

Here is the updated SITREP for Friday, January 24. Key items are:

- Patient #5 was confirmed via sequencing. She is the wife of Patient #4 with a risk factor of travel from Wuhan, China
- MOPH sent a team to Nakhon Pathom Province to investigate (and take specimens) from a contact of Patient #3 who has developed fever and respiratory symptoms but no travel to Wuhan. Still awaiting information from that investigation
- EOC IM suggested to Country Director that the DG of Dept of Disease Control will respond positively to the CD's request for viral sharing. No formal response received thus far
- Embassy BKK requesting site visit to learn about airport screening. DGMQ/Thailand will accompany the team

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WHO Update - CONFIDENTIAL

Sad new today on the sudden passing of Peter Salama, an Executive Director at WHO and a huge figure in the Emergencies programme. This is a huge blow for staff.

As of 7.00 AM Jan 24:

- 830 total confirmed cases from 29 provincial level administrative units, including
 - 177 severe
 - 25 deaths
- 1st fatal case outside of Wuhan reported from Hebei province
- 17 non-epi linked cases, all with Wuhan exposure, exported to 7 countries, 2 SARs, and Taiwan.
 - 2 cases in Vietnam: 1st potential H2H transmission reported outside of China
- 8420/9507 contacts being followed

- China requires confirmation at national lab to be considered a case; there is a backlog of hundreds of cases awaiting confirmation. Expect officially confirmed numbers to increase in the coming days.

- Nepal:
 - 30 yo male, onset 1/5 in Wuhan, returned to Kathmandu date unknown, confirmed by HKU 1/23. Exposures in Wuhan unknown, SEARO following up.
- Singapore:
 - 4 confirmed cases, 3 with further details below:
 - 66 yo female, Chinese national from Wuhan, traveled to Singapore 1/20, fever onset 1/21, confirmed 1/23; 37 yo male son also confirmed 1/24. Contacts being followed.

- (b)(6) from Wuhan, entered Singapore 1/21, visited ER 1/22, confirmed 1/23. Contacts being followed.
- None were detected through traveler screening.
- Hong Kong:
 - 2 cases reported 1/22
 - (b)(6) Wuhan resident, onset 1/21, traveled to HK and was detected at entry on 1/21, confirmed 1/22
 - (b)(6) from HK, traveled to Wuhan 1/10, onset 1/18, flew to HK 1/19 and visited healthcare that day; not detected until 2nd healthcare visit on 1/21, was isolated and confirmed.
- Macau:
 - 2 cases
 - Unknown age female, Wuhan resident, arrived Macau by train and bus 1/19. Onset unknown. In casino 1/19, Contacts being followed
 - 66 yo male tourist from Wuhan, arrived 1/22, detected at port of entry.
- Vietnam:
 - 2 cases, father/son
 - 66 yo male traveled Wuhan to Hanoi 1/13, met son (28 yo male) and traveled together. (b)(6) with onset 1/17, son with onset 1/20. Extensive travel while symptomatic. Admitted 1/22 and confirmed 1/23.
- Korea
 - 2nd case reported
 - 55 yo male Korean working in Wuhan. Onset 1/10 in Wuhan, traveled to Korea 1/19, confirmed 1/23. Detected at PoE.
- Summary of reported cases outside of mainland China:
 - 10/17 developed symptoms in Wuhan
 - 5 detected at PoE
 - 7/10 countries notified through IHR mechanism
- Alerts:
 - 619 alerts from 25 countries; currently 4% positive for nCoV
- Press conference planned at Palais today

Message from Mike Ryan to staff: This is person to person transmission, likely secondary to close contact, contact and droplet exposure. Transmission can be interrupted, and WHO will continue down that path until the data says otherwise.

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2nd SitRep from WHO.

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HI:

Update on nCoV in Thailand.

Philip

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Subject: RE: nCov 2019 Updates GDDOC_Official notice of transportation closure

Hi:

Official posting of transportation shut down.

Philip

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Subject: RE: nCov 2019 Updates GDDOC_Beijing cancels New Years Events

<https://www.reuters.com/article/china-health-newyear/beijing-cancels-new-year-events-to-curb-virus-spread-beijing-news-idUSB9N29F025>

Beijing cancels New Year events to curb virus spread -Beijing News

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BEIJING, Jan 23 (Reuters) - China's capital city Beijing cancelled major public events including two well-known Lunar New Year temple fairs, the state-run Beijing News said on Thursday, as authorities try to curb the spread of a deadly coronavirus outbreak.





Separately, the country's railway operator, China State Railway Group, said passengers would be able to receive full refunds on tickets nationwide starting on Friday. (Reporting by Tony Munroe; editing by John Stonestreet)

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Wuhan temporarily shuts down local transportation to curb virus

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People are seen wearing masks at Beijing Railway Station on Jan 21, 2020. [Photo by Zou Hong/chinadaily.com.cn]

The local government of Wuhan, the center of the coronavirus, announced that all public transportation in the city — local buses, long-distanced buses, subway and ferry — will be temporarily closed starting at 10am on Thursday.

All flights and trains scheduled to depart from Wuhan also will be temporarily canceled to reduce the risk of spreading the new virus, the government said.

Residents in Wuhan were suggested not to leave the city if there is no particular reason, according to the announcement.

<http://www.chinadaily.com.cn/a/202001/23/WS5e28978ea310128217272dae.html>

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Subject: RE: nCov 2019 Updates GDDOC_WHO News Conference NOW.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=46fb8RX-Pnc>

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Subject: RE: nCov 2019 Updates GDDOC_US Embassy Beijing Cable 22 Jan

Hi:

Attached and below is a cable from US Embassy Beijing. It mostly covers AmCit health concerns in Beijing & Wuhan.

Cheers,

Philip

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1. (SBU) Summary: Beijing and Wuhan's Core Emergency Action Committees (EAC) met on January 22, 2020, to discuss the Novel (2019-nCoV) Coronavirus and Reftels A, B, and C. Beijing members in attendance included: A/DCM, RSO, MGT, RMO, DAO, HHS, CDC, PAS, PO, CONS, ACS, CLO and ESTH. Wuhan EAC members included: CG, RSO, MGT, CONS, CLO and ACS. CDC and HHS briefed the EACs on how CDC raised their travel watch from Level 1 to alert Level 2 and that airport screening in the U.S. will expand to include Atlanta (ATL) and Chicago (ORD). Wuhan updated both EACs on the situation in Wuhan. Consular stated they are in the process of issuing a MASCOT message directing American citizens to the most recent CDC guidance.

MED, Public Affairs, ESTH, Management and RSO then briefed both EACs on their updates on the Novel (2019-nCoV) Coronavirus situation. Beijing and Wuhan EACs agreed that at this time, no decision points have been crossed. Core EAC agreed to meet daily for the near future regarding the Novel (2019-nCoV) Coronavirus situation. End Summary.

2. (SBU) CDC and HHS briefed both EACs and stated that CDC raised their travel watch from a Level 1 to alert Level 2. The Level 2 travel alert does not warn persons to avoid travel to China, but does encourage elderly or those with underlying medical conditions people to consult with their healthcare providers prior to coming to Wuhan and stresses that persons avoid contact with dead animals and use good hygiene habits. CDC did state in their warning that Novel (2019-nCoV) Coronavirus is spreading from human to human contact, but is unclear how easily the virus spreads between people. CDC stated that airport monitoring of persons coming to the U.S. from Wuhan will expand to five U.S. airports (San Francisco, Chicago, Los Angeles, New York and Atlanta) by the end of the week and that all passengers coming to the U.S. from Wuhan will be channeled into one of these airports as their first arrival point into the U.S. Passengers coming to the U.S. on non-direct flights from Wuhan will be re-routed so they will enter via one of these five airports. CDC stated that unlike influenza, coronaviruses in general are transmittable after symptoms arise, not before. More data on the transmission dynamics of 2019-nCoV is needed to confirm whether that is true for this virus. HHS stated that on the morning of January 22, the World Health Organization (WHO) will convene an Emergency Committee meeting to determine whether the outbreak constitutes a Public Health Emergency of International Concern (PHEIC). CDC expert personnel will participate in this meeting. HHS has previously requested epidemiological information on the Novel (2019-nCoV) Coronavirus and hope the Chinese government will provide it at today's WHO meeting. CDC stated the Chinese government has increased its reporting of Novel (2019-nCoV) Coronavirus information and that each province is now publishing daily the number of suspected or confirmed Novel (2019-nCoV) Coronavirus cases.

3. (SBU) CG Wuhan stated that they held a townhall meeting for Wuhan Eligible Family members, Beijing MGT, MED and CDC participated in the townhall and it helped reassure the Wuhan community. CG Wuhan stated they have a total of 42 Chief of Mission (COM) personnel (both USDH and EFM), of which 33 are currently in Wuhan. Wuhan EAC stated they are updating their F-77 numbers and according to the Wuhan Foreign Affairs Office (FAO) there are approximately 1,000 American Citizens (AmCits) living permanently in Wuhan. The Wuhan current F-77 report from 04/2019 states a total of 7100 AmCits live in the Wuhan consular district. Note: This number does not include any dual national citizens who entered China on a Chinese passport. End Note. Wuhan MGT stated they are reviewing their Locally Employed (LE) staffing pattern to make sure there is adequate coverage during the Chinese New Year (CNY) period and noted two LE staff have asked for either annual leave or asked to go on annual leave earlier due to the Novel (2019-nCoV) Coronavirus outbreak. Wuhan MGT stated they are in the process of calling back their LE nurse who is on holiday outside of Wuhan and she might be back in Wuhan next week. Wuhan EAC reiterated they have no health unit at post and, other than telemedicine from Beijing and periodic visits, are dependent on local Chinese hospitals for higher level medical services, to include Novel (2019-nCoV) Coronavirus. Beijing

and Wuhan EACs discussed that travel in China during the CNY period is difficult due to the hundreds of millions of people already on the road. Wuhan EAC stated they would check to see to what extent travel in/out of Wuhan via air or train is still available. Beijing and Wuhan EACs acknowledged that during the CNY period travel in/out of Wuhan may be extremely limited and that if any Wuhan COM personnel are symptomatic or contract Novel (2019-nCoV) Coronavirus they might have to rely on treatment/testing from the Chinese healthcare system.

4. (SBU) RMO briefed the EAC and stated that MED will provide a Foreign Service Health Practitioner (FSHP) for TDY medical support in Wuhan. RMO stated that the medical care in China as a whole is substandard compared to medical care available in the U.S. Bigger cities like Beijing and Shanghai have better medical capabilities than other cities in China such as Shenyang, Wuhan, etc.- however even medical care in Beijing and Shanghai is not as good as medical care in the U.S. RMO stated that these hospitals told post that in the event a COM person goes to either Beijing or Shanghai United hospitals and is symptomatic with Novel (2019-nCoV) Coronavirus, these hospitals will not test or treat COM personnel and instead will refer/transport them to a local Chinese hospital for examination/treatment. RMO stated that the hospitals we currently use in these locations that have a more Western-style level of Medicine informed him they will direct patients for testing and treatment for Novel (2019-nCoV) Coronavirus to other designated government Hospitals. HHS stated she would reach out to her contacts with the National Health Commission to identify the designated Chinese hospitals in Beijing, Shanghai, Shenyang, Chengdu, Guangzhou and Wuhan that COM personnel can use in the event they exhibit symptoms of the Novel (2019-nCoV) Coronavirus. RMO also noted at this time, post does not know the standards for how the Chinese medical system tests or treats persons with Novel (2019-nCoV) Coronavirus. Beijing and Wuhan EACs agreed that even without the Novel (2019-nCoV) Coronavirus, at this time of the year hospitals in China have many patients with the cold, flu, etc. and it is unknown the impact or strain the Novel (2019-nCoV) Coronavirus will place on the Chinese medical system.

5. (SBU) Consular drafted and sent an updated MASCOT message that will direct AmCits to the CDC website for travel warning information and that they have not received any reports of AmCits contracting the Novel (2019-nCoV) Coronavirus. Consular also suggested ensuring there are sufficient hand sanitizer stations or handwipes for all ACS and visa applicants to help reduce the potential spread of Novel (2019-nCoV) Coronavirus or any other viruses to other people.

6. (SBU) Public Affairs noted that due to the Spring Festival holiday there were few public events in Beijing and the consulates, however starting February 3, events pick up around the Mission including at the Beijing American Center. PAS plans to contact speakers for events who are planning to travel to China to ensure they have seen the CDC notices and are informed of the situation in China, anticipating that some may want to reschedule. Starting in February, PAS will decide on a case by case basis whether to cancel any future events. The Press Office confirmed that Mascot messages are viewable through the Mission website as a grey banner across all pages, including all Consulate pages. Additionally, Mission social media plans to post a social media post about Coronavirus containing information provided by CDC.

7. (SBU) MGT suggested that the core EAC meet on a daily basis and both EACs agreed to meet daily to receive updates on the Novel (2019-nCoV) Coronavirus situation and its impact on post personnel and operations. MGT will send out a management notice with the same guidance in the MASCOT messaging informing COM personnel of the latest CDC guidance and will establish a Novel (2019-nCoV) Coronavirus email collective.

8. (SBU) RSO stated he continues to receive queries from Overseas Security Advisory Council (OSAC) members on the Novel (2019-nCoV) Coronavirus and has forwarded them to the MASCOT message. RSO also stated that OSAC is preparing a Novel (2019-nCoV) Coronavirus fact sheet for OSAC members to use. RSO told both EACs that he briefed all Mission China RSOs and the Beijing Local Guard Force that if they wanted to wear masks while interacting with any visitors or visa applicants RSO would provide them to the LGF and to be alert for any potential sick visitors or medical emergencies in our facilities.

9. (SBU) Beijing and Wuhan EACs reviewed all relevant decision points and agreed that so far, no decision points have been crossed related to the novel (2019-nCoV) coronavirus or post's ability to safely operate.

10. (SBU) A/DCM stated he would brief all Mission China Consuls General (CGs) on the Novel (2019-nCoV) Coronavirus situation and how it is now a Mission China problem as opposed to a problem solely in Wuhan and Beijing.

11. (SBU) Beijing and Wuhan EACs agreed that the situation in China regarding the Novel (2019-nCoV) Coronavirus is fluid and that confirmed cases of Novel (2019-nCoV) Coronavirus will increase on a daily basis, particularly during the CNY period. Both EACs will continue to monitor how the Chinese government handles this situation, their level of transparency and the ability of the Chinese medical system to test and treat Novel (2019-nCoV) Coronavirus. All Mission China information on the Novel (2019-nCoV) Coronavirus outbreak should be directed to Beijing ESTH to be included in their front channel cables.

12. (SBU) Point of contact is RSO Sean McClanahan.

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Subject: RE: nCov 2019 Updates GDDOC_NHC Update 22 Jan

Hi:

The National Health Committee (NHC) of China is now providing the country wide updates.

Regards,
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CONFIDENTIAL UPDATES

Thanks,
Philip

Update 22 January 2020

WHO staff are very busy prepping for the EC today. By their own admission, numbers reported this morning are already out of date.

- 440 confirmed in China; 51 severe, 12 critical; 9 deaths (5/9 deaths were reported among cases with comorbidities)
 - 14/24 provinces in China affected (Taiwan considered a province)
- Thailand 4, Japan 1, ROK 1, US 1
- More about the 2 healthcare clusters in Wuhan:

- 6/10 HCWs involved in the cluster on the neurosurgical ward reported no direct contact with the case.
- 4/5 HCWs involved in the 2nd cluster reported no direct contact with the case.

Additional Update 21 January

- >70 cases from China reported today, from 10 provinces. Additional cases being reported frequently by China. This number is changing.
- France suspected case tested negative, is not a case.
- WPRO team on visit to Wuhan were told of two HCW clusters in Wuhan, one involving 10 HCWs in a neurosurgery ward, a separate cluster of 5 HCWs in the same hospital. More details will be presented at the EC.

This is a summary of this morning's meeting; 21 January

- 278 cases reported from China, of which 258 are from Wuhan; 20 cases reported from Guangdong, Beijing and Shanghai
- Wuhan, 20 January:
 - 60 new cases, 3 new deaths (89 yo male, onset 13 Jan; 66 yo male, 48 yo female)
 - Now with 51 severe, 12 critical, 6 deaths;
 - 15 infected HCWs (not officially reported)
 - 249 of 988 contacts still being monitored
- Confirmed cases in other parts of China:
 - Guangdong: 14 cases (including 4 severe, 2 critical, no deaths) confirmed between 19-20 Jan; 12 with travel history to Wuhan, 2 had contact with confirmed cases. 9 males/5 female.
 - Beijing: 5 cases, including 2 confirmed 19 Jan and 3 confirmed 20 Jan. No detailed epi. All with travel history or residence in Wuhan.
 - Shanghai: 1 case, resident of Wuhan, onset 15 Jan, confirmed 20 Jan. 2 contacts being followed.
- Chinese national health commission officially confirmed H2H transmission in a press conference, but only confirmed this in 2 cases identified 20 Jan in Guangdong Province. Also confirmed HCW transmission in Wuhan.
- France (mentioned yesterday) alerted WHO of returning traveler from Wuhan (neg flu/SARS/MERS, pos pan-CoV assay), waiting for confirmation
- 3rd confirmed Thailand case: no details; 4th confirmed Thailand case: 68 yo male from Wuhan detected through screening at BKK
- WHO is struggling to align messages. WPRO overnight messaged sustained H2H transmission – HQ messaging is around limited H2H transmission, but can't rule out sustained. HQ discussed

with WPRO this morning, HQ will take a more proactive posture to realign messaging. The move today to a daily sitrep will help.

- Quorum is in place for the Emergency Committee, set for 12.00 – 5.00 Wednesday, GVA time.
- Staffing requests for CDC are being discussed. Epi/surv, GIS, comms may be most needed. Kahef and I are going to meet with Pat Drury/GOARN, more details soon.

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Sorry a few new people added to distribution.

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HI:

Confidential Communication – note link to public sources

Regards,

Philip

Cluster of pneumonia cases associated with novel coronavirus - China - 2019

Source: [Wuhan Municipal Health Commission \(WMHC\)](#), [WHO IHR](#), [WHO DON](#), [China CDC](#), [WHO statement](#), [WHO advice on trade and travel](#), [Hong Kong Department of Health](#), [WHO technical documents](#), [Thai MoH](#), [Japan MoH](#), [Vietnam MoH](#), [ECDC 2019-nCoV website](#), [WHO coronavirus website](#), [Health Commission of Beijing Province](#), [Health Commission of Guangdong Province](#), [Korean CDC](#), [National Health Commission of the People's Republic of China](#), [US CDC](#)

Update:

Since the last report and as of 21 January 2020, the [National Health Commission of China](#) reported 243 new cases, including five new deaths from 13 provinces. Outside China two additional cases have been reported in [Thailand](#) and one in the [US](#).

The [Chinese authorities](#) have announced incubation period of 2019-nCoV to be from 2 to 12 days with an average of 7 days.

On 21 January 2020, the US CDC reported a confirmed case of 2019-nCoV in the state of Washington. The case in his 30s returned to the state of Washington from Wuhan on 15 January 2020. The patient sought care at a medical facility on 19 January 2020 and was treated for the illness. A sample tested in CDC, Atlanta, US was confirmed positive by CDC's Real time Reverse Transcription-Polymerase Chain Reaction (rRT-PCR) test on 20 January 2020.

The US CDC has activated its Emergency Operations Center to better provide ongoing support to the 2019-nCoV response, and has announced [travel alert level 2](#), encouraging to practice enhanced precautions such as avoid contact with sick people, animals (alive or dead), and animal markets. On January 17, 2020, CDC began implementing public health entry screening at San Francisco (SFO), New York (JFK), and Los Angeles (LAX) airports. This week CDC will add entry health screening at two more airports - Atlanta (ATL) and Chicago (ORD).

On 22 January 2020, SANTE posted an EWRS on EU/EEA MS measures implemented for the 2019-nCoV.

[Romanian](#) authorities have advised to avoid travelling to the Hubei province, China. Italy will implement entry screening in the [Fiumicino](#) airport for all travellers from China on 23 January 2020.

Summary:

Since 31 December 2019 and as of 22 January 2020, overall, 448 laboratory-confirmed cases of novel coronavirus 2019-nCoV infection, including nine deaths were reported. Of the reported cases 441 were from China: Hubei province (375), Guangdong (26), Beijing (10), Shanghai (9), Chongqing (5), Zhejiang (5), Jiangxi (2), Tianjin (2), Sichuan (2), Hunan (1), Shandong (1), Yunnan (1), also in Taiwan (1) and Macao (1). Of the cases reported in China, 102 were severe cases. Overall, 2 197 close contacts are being followed-up in China, of which 1 394 are still under medical observation. The reported cases include 15 previously reported healthcare workers in Wuhan.

Outside China, seven cases have been reported from: Thailand (4), Japan (1), South Korea (1), and the US (1).

Wuhan has implemented exit screening at the Wuhan Tianhe International Airport, also strengthened [screening measures](#) are implemented in other airports, railway stations, and long-distance bus stations for the entry and exit of the city, private vehicles are checked for live birds and wild animals, people are advised not to walk in groups. Passengers with fever are registered, provided with brochures and masks, and referred to the medical institutions. Public transport is disinfected on a daily basis. A list of designated medical institutions in Wuhan have been published on 20 January 2020.

On 31 December 2019, the Wuhan Municipal Health Commission in Wuhan City, Hubei province, China reported a cluster of pneumonia cases of unknown aetiology, with a common reported link to Wuhan's Huanan Seafood Wholesale Market (a wholesale fish and live animal market selling different animal species). The market was closed to the public on 1 January 2020. According to Wuhan Municipal Health Commission, samples from the market tested positive for the novel coronavirus. Cases showed symptoms such as fever, dry cough, dyspnoea, and radiological findings of bilateral lung infiltrates.

On 9 January 2020, China CDC reported that a novel coronavirus (2019-nCoV) was detected as the causative agent and the genome sequence was made publicly available. Sequence analysis showed that the newly identified virus is related to the SARS-CoV clade. Detection systems have been developed and are available for the Member States through WHO and the European Virus Archive global catalogue.

Laboratory diagnosis:

On 10 January 2020, the [novel coronavirus genome sequence](#) was made publicly available. The sequence was deposited on the GenBank database (accession number [MN908947](#)) and was uploaded to the Global Initiative on Sharing all Influenza Data (GISAID). Preliminary analysis showed that the novel coronavirus (2019-nCoV) clusters with the SARS-related CoV clade and differs from the core genome of known bat CoV.

WHO released a set of [technical documents](#) such as case definition, laboratory guidance, clinical management of cases and others, related to the novel coronavirus outbreak reported in Wuhan, China. Assays for [laboratory diagnostics](#) for the novel coronavirus detected in Wuhan, China are now available on the webpage of WHO. In addition, ECDC has published [guidelines](#) on laboratory testing of suspect cases of 2019-nCoV.

Preparedness and response activities outside China:

According to the International Air Transport Association (IATA) data from 2018, the [top five passenger destination](#) countries from Wuhan in decreasing order are Thailand, Hong Kong SAR, Japan, Taiwan and South Korea. To our knowledge, entry-screening activities for all incoming travellers from Wuhan are implemented in [Australia](#), [Hong Kong](#), [India](#), [Indonesia](#), [Malaysia](#), [Mexico](#), [Myanmar](#), [New Caledonia](#), [the Philippines](#), [Singapore](#), [Taiwan](#), [Thailand](#), [the US](#), [Russia](#) and [Vietnam](#).

On 9 January 2020, the EC posted an EWRS notification requesting further information about the measures implemented by the Member States following the novel coronavirus cases reported in Wuhan. Italy has implemented enhanced surveillance in the incoming flights from China. Additionally, health authorities from Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Croatia, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, the Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, and the United Kingdom report to have informed their health care providers and/or general public about this event.

Assessment:

In light of the currently available information, ECDC considers that: the potential impact of 2019-nCoV outbreaks is high; further global spread is likely; there is currently a moderate likelihood of infection for EU/EEA travellers visiting Wuhan; there is a high likelihood of case importation in countries with the greatest volume of people travelling to and from Wuhan (i.e. countries in Asia); there is a moderate likelihood of detecting imported cases in EU/EEA countries; adherence to appropriate infection prevention and control practices, in particular in health care settings in EU/EEA countries with direct links to Wuhan, make the likelihood that a case reported in the EU would result in secondary cases within the EU/EEA low.

The airport of Wuhan has [direct flight connections](#) with some EU cities: Paris (France) with six weekly flights, London (the United Kingdom) with three weekly flights and Rome (Italy) with three weekly flights. Health authorities in the concerned member states remain vigilant and closely monitor the ongoing situation in China.

The upcoming Chinese New Year celebrations at the end of January 2020 will cause an increased travel volume to/from China and within China, hence increasing the likelihood of arrival in the EU of possible cases.

ECDC published a threat assessment brief on '[Pneumonia cases possibly associated with a novel coronavirus in Wuhan, China](#)' on 9 January 2020. ECDC has published a '[Health emergency preparedness checklist for imported cases of high- consequence infectious diseases](#)', [guidelines on laboratory testing of suspect cases of 2019-nCoV using RT-PCR and the rapid risk assessment 'Cluster of pneumonia cases caused by a novel coronavirus, Wuhan, China'](#).

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K) Journal of Travel Medicine article with Top 20 passenger destination cities from Wuhan, China, January to March 2018

Subject: 2019-Novel Coronavirus in Thailand: Third, Fourth Cases Confirmed

1. (SBU) Summary. On January 22, the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Public Health, Anutin Charnvirakul, held a press conference confirming Thailand has two new cases of the 2019-Novel Coronavirus (refs A-K), bringing the total number of confirmed cases to four. He also stated there were no indications of human-to-human transmission of the 2019-Novel Coronavirus in Thailand. End Summary.

Health Minister Holds Press Conference, Describes Contact Tracing

2. (SBU) On January 22, the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Public Health, Anutin Charnvirakul, held a press conference confirming Thailand has two new cases of the 2019-Novel Coronavirus and stating there were no signs of human-to-human transmission of the 2019-Novel Coronavirus in Thailand. Minister Charnvirakul reported the first two patients with confirmed 2019-Novel Coronavirus have returned to China, whereas these two new patients (cases three and four described below) are “clinically improving.” Anutin described contact tracing conducted by the

Ministry of Public Health that includes contacting and following up with family members, tour group members, health care workers, and public health investigators.

3. (SBU) Anutin informed the media that the World Health Organization's (WHO) Director General, Dr. Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, contacted him on January 21 to discuss the situation and praised Thailand's response and transparency. Tedros urged the Thai government to share virus samples with other countries, a proposal Charnvirakul said he is discussing with leadership. Charnvirakul acknowledged he will participate in the World Health Organization's International Health Regulations Emergency Committee the evening of January 22 to discuss the 2019-Novel Coronavirus outbreak.

Case #3 of 2019-Novel Coronavirus in Thailand

4. (SBU) On January 15, a central Thai hospital (in Nakhon Pathom) admitted a 70-year-old Thai national for pneumonia. Because the patient recently traveled by air from Wuhan on January 3, officials sent specimens to Chulalongkorn University and the Thai National Institutes of Health, both of which confirmed the positive results after sequencing the virus and comparing to sequence data published by Chinese authorities. Epidemiological and other investigations are ongoing, though preliminary reporting suggests this third case is not epidemiologically connected to Wuhan's Hua Nan Market. The patient denies having contact with individuals ill with fever or respiratory symptoms, nor did she seek medical care while in Wuhan, according to Ministry of Public Health officials. The patient did not visit any major markets in Wuhan, though she said she visited "street markets" there. This patient is clinically stable and currently remains in isolation in Nakhon Pathom, Thailand.

Case #4 of 2019-Novel Coronavirus in Thailand

5. (SBU) On January 16, a 68 year-old male from Wuhan, China developed a cough and sore throat. He and his wife decided to continue with their planned vacation to Thailand, and on January 19 he was found febrile at a Bangkok airport health screening checkpoint. The passenger was taken to metro Bangkok's Bamrasnaradura Infectious Disease Institute, placed in a negative pressure isolation room, and diagnosed with pneumonia by chest radiograph. Specimens taken tested positive for 2019-Novel Coronavirus; Chulalongkorn University and the Thai National Institutes of Health also found positive results after sequencing the virus and comparing to sequence data published by Chinese authorities. The patient denied visiting markets, having contact with live or sick animals, or contact with any individuals with respiratory symptoms.

6. (U) Post has not received any inquiries from private U.S. citizens regarding the 2019-Novel Coronavirus in Thailand. No consular messaging is planned at this time. Post received and referred one international media inquiry to CDC Headquarters. CDC and other appropriate Mission Thailand

entities will continue to monitor and report as needed. CDCOffs continue to explore potential areas of needed support in discussions with Thai Ministry of Public Health officials.

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Hi:

WHO SitRep on NCov.

Philip

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Subject: RE: nCov 2019 Updates GDDOC_ IHR Korea

Hi:

IHR has posted notice on case in Korea. **USG Only.**

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Subject: RE: nCov 2019 Updates GDDOC_ China National Health_Healthcare worker_ First case Korea - 22 Jan

Hi All:

Interview in which China confirms person to person transmission and healthcare worker infections. First case in Korea.

Philip

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Subject: RE: nCov 2019 Updates GDDOC_ IHR Meeting on 2019 Novel Coronavirus - 22 Jan

Good Evening:

IHR has posted a noticed regarding the upcoming meeting on Novel Coronavirus.

Regards,
Philip

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Subject: RE: nCov 2019 Updates GDDOC_ FOUR NEW CASES in Wuhan - 17 Jan

Just posted on Wuhan Health Commission website -

On January 16, 2020, experts from the provinces and municipalities newly identified 4 cases of pneumonia with a new type of coronavirus infection based on the clinical manifestations, epidemiological history of the patients, and the results detected by the diagnostic kit issued by the country. All 4 patients were male. They developed symptoms from January 5 to 8, 2020, and were admitted to the hospital from January 8 to 13 for treatment. After treatment, the symptoms improved and the condition is stable. They have been transferred to Wuhan Jinyintan Hospital for centralized treatment. Epidemiological investigations of the four new cases are underway, and close contacts are also being tracked.

Second, the main measures for the prevention and control of the recent epidemic

Further do a good job in the management of pre-inspection and triage of medical institutions at all levels and early diagnosis, and early detection, isolation and early treatment. The sanitary killing of the South China Seafood Wholesale Market, other agricultural fairs in the city and the living environment of related hospitals, patients and close contacts will continue. Carry out a patriotic health campaign with the theme of “renovating the environment, cleaning homes, and welcoming the festival” to promote a healthy lifestyle.

3. Related situation of close contacts of confirmed cases abroad

Seventeen close contacts of the first confirmed patient in Thailand were tracked, all of which were included in medical observations. One of them had symptoms of low fever and mild cough, and has been transferred to designated hospitals for treatment. Personnel information, tracking of close family contacts is underway; 4 cases of close family contacts have been traced to patients with confirmed cases notified in Japan, all of which have been included in medical observation.

Regards,
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Attached is the ECDC nCoV section from its weekly report. It provides a nice summary as well as links to public sources.

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Subject: nCov 2019 Updates GDDOC_ Additional death in China_2nd case in Thailand - 17 Jan

Good morning:

- 1 additional death in Wuhan: The patient, a 69-year-old male, developed symptoms on December 31 last year. His condition deteriorated on January 4 this year and he passed away on January
- 2nd case in Thailand, which is unrelated to the first: The Thailand Department of Disease Control has screened travelers at the airport, on January 13, 2020 1 additional confirmed case of coronary pneumonia from 2019 which is a Chinese female aged 74 years.
- WHO also published additional information on the case in Japan, regarding course of illness, exposure and test results.

Regards,
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Chinese Media report of airport screening in Wuhan.

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WHO DONs from this afternoon.

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Hi:

Developments to note are:

1. Imported case in Japan.
 - Chinese National living in Kanagawa Prefecture (near Tokyo), Japan
 - Visited family in Wuhan over Christmas/New Years

- Jan 3- developed fever
 - Jan 6 traveled back to Japan, visited a local clinic
 - Jan 9-10 went to work
 - Jan 10 hospitalized due to pneumonia
 - Jan 15 confirmed by 2nd PCR test, weakly positive
 - Jan 15 discharged from hospital
 - Father was hospitalized 28 December, diagnosed with chlamydia pneumonia
 - Wife and brother both reported illness from which they recovered
 - All family report no exposure to implicated market, but visited zoo together
 - Father's exposure unknown
2. Airport screening at Wuhan – still no formal health screening related to current outbreak, just routine health exit screening and health travel advice.
 3. Media report of *first suspected cases* in Vietnam, triggered by entry screening of flight from Wuhan. Reportedly there are two cases; one case in a 3 yr old has been cleared, while the case in the 22 yr old does not have respiratory illness with other tests pending before final determination. To date there have been 123 alerts from countries outside of China.

Regards,
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Subject: RE: nCov 2019 Updated Communications 15 Jan

Hi:

Here is the most recent DONs posting, Wuhan Health Commission Updates, and CDC Taiwan Update.

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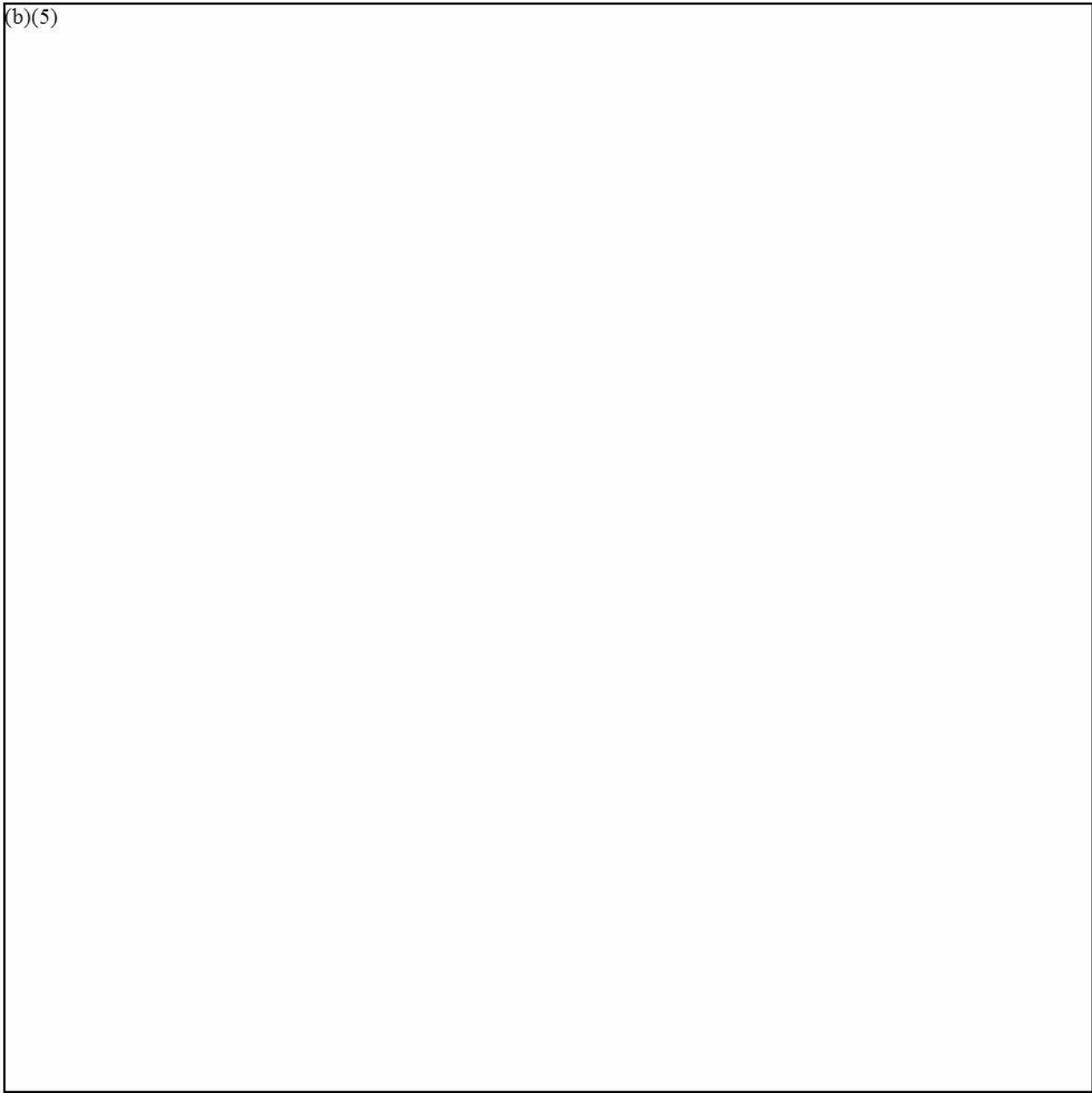
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Updates form Wuhan Health Committee 11-13 Jan 2020. 12th and 13th sitreps simply report no new cases.

11th sitrep discusses nCOV and new case count of 41.

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Subject: nCOV 2019 case in Thailand, comments by WHO

Morning:

Case Thailand in a Chinese woman, apparently detected through entry screening. Case has recovered and is ready to return to China. Comments from WHO.

Philip

WHO statement on novel coronavirus in Thailand

13 January 2020

News release

- <https://www.who.int/news-room/detail/13-01-2020-who-statement-on-novel-coronavirus-in-thailand>

The World Health Organization (WHO) is working with officials in Thailand and China following reports of confirmation of the novel coronavirus in a person in Thailand.

The person was a traveler from Wuhan, China, and was identified by Thai officials on 8 January, and hospitalized that day. The person is recovering from the illness according to Thai officials.

The possibility of cases being identified in other countries was not unexpected, and reinforces why WHO calls for on-going active monitoring and preparedness in other countries. WHO has issued [guidance](#) on how to detect and treat persons ill with the new virus.

The genetic sequencing shared by China enables more countries to rapidly diagnose patients.

[WHO reiterates](#) that it is essential that investigations continue in China to identify the source of this outbreak and any animal reservoirs or intermediate hosts.

Given developments, WHO Director-General Dr Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus will consult with Emergency Committee members and could call for a meeting of the committee on short notice.

Bangkok Post <https://www.bangkokpost.com/thailand/general/1834789/coronavirus-infected-chinese-tourist-being-treated-in-thailand>

Coronavirus-infected Chinese tourist being treated in Thailand
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Public Health Minister Anutin Charnvirakul, second right, shows visitors from Wuhan receiving health screening at Suvarnabhumi airport in Samut Prakan province on Jan 5. He said on Monday that a Chinese woman found infected with a new strain of coronavirus was in quarantine and being treated in Nonthaburi province. Public Health Minister Anutin Charnvirakul, second right, shows visitors from Wuhan receiving health screening at Suvarnabhumi airport in Samut Prakan province on Jan 5. He said on Monday that a Chinese woman found infected with a new strain of coronavirus was in quarantine and being treated in Nonthaburi province. A Chinese tourist was found to be infected with the new strain of coronavirus when she arrived in Thailand, is being treated in hospital and is expected to be discharged in a few days, Public Health Minister Anutin Charnvirakul said on Monday.

Mr Anutin said the 61-year-old woman was recovering at Bamrasnaradura Infectious Diseases Institute in Nonthaburi province.

She now had no fever or any respiratory symptoms. If doctors gave her a clearance she would be allowed to go home in a few days, said Mr Anutin.

Sixteen other people who were close to the woman on the same flight were examined, and the results were negative, he said.

Mr Anutin said 59 people in China have been confirmed infected with the new strain of the coronavirus, which has been linked to a sudden outbreak of pneumonia in central China. One of them died. All had attended big markets selling animals and seafood in Wuhan city. They were either workers or buyers. There had not been any human-to-human transmission of the virus.

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Four kept in quarantine after landing

China reports first death from mystery pneumonia outbreak

China believes new virus behind mystery pneumonia outbreak

The ill Chinese woman was the first person detected with the virus outside China. Her discovery and successful treatment was indicative of the efficiency and effectiveness of health services in Thailand, Mr Anutin said.

Health officials have been checking passengers from Wuhan arriving at Suvarnabhumi, Don Mueang, Phuket and Chiang Mai airports since Jan 3. They had found 12 ill passengers who justified being quarantined. Eight had so far been treated and discharged from hospital.

The Chinese woman was being treated in an isolation ward. Her infection with the new coronavirus was confirmed on Sunday, Mr Anutin said.

The Public Health Ministry had not found anyone else infected with it, he said.

One of Wuhan's largest meat and seafood markets was pinpointed as the centre of the mysterious pneumonia outbreak and was shut down on Jan. 1. The man who died had been a customer at that market.

Chinese scientists identified the new virus strain last week.

Coronaviruses are not necessarily life-threatening but have been the underlying cause of public health crises, including severe acute respiratory syndrome, or SARS, which killed hundreds of people after an outbreak in southern China in 2002 and 2003.

The Wuhan viral outbreak seems to be less virulent and less transmittable, according to the World Health

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Hope everyone had a good weekend.

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WHO DONs <https://www.who.int/csr/don/12-january-2020-novel-coronavirus-china/en/>

Novel Coronavirus – China

Disease outbreak news : Update

12 January 2020

On 11 and 12 January 2020, WHO received further detailed information from the National Health Commission about the outbreak.

WHO is reassured of the quality of the ongoing investigations and the response measures implemented in Wuhan, and the commitment to share information regularly.

The evidence is highly suggestive that the outbreak is associated with exposures in one seafood market in Wuhan. The market was closed on 1 January 2020. At this stage, there is no infection among healthcare workers, and no clear evidence of human to human transmission. The Chinese authorities continue their work of intensive surveillance and follow up measures, as well as further epidemiological investigations.

Among the 41 confirmed cases, there has been one death. This death occurred in a patient with serious underlying medical conditions.

China shared the genetic sequence of the novel coronavirus on 12 January, which will be of great importance for other countries to use in developing specific diagnostic kits.

The cluster was initially reported on 31 December 2019, when the WHO China Country Office was informed. The Chinese authorities identified a new type of coronavirus (novel coronavirus, nCoV), which was isolated on 7 January 2020. Laboratory testing was conducted on all suspected cases identified through active case finding and retrospective review. Other respiratory pathogens such as influenza, avian influenza, adenovirus, Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome coronavirus (SARS-CoV), Middle East Respiratory Syndrome coronavirus (MERS-CoV) were ruled out as the cause.

According to information conveyed to WHO by Chinese authorities on 11 and 12 January, 41 cases with novel coronavirus infection have been preliminarily diagnosed in Wuhan City. Of the 41 cases reported, seven are severely ill. This is when the one death, mentioned above, was reported, in a patient with other underlying health conditions. Six patients have been discharged from hospital. Symptom onset of the 41 confirmed nCoV cases ranges from 8 December 2019 to 2 January 2020. No additional cases have been detected since 3 January 2020.

The clinical signs and symptoms reported are mainly fever, with a few cases having difficulty in breathing, and chest radiographs showing invasive pneumonic infiltrates in both lungs. National authorities report that patients have been isolated and are receiving treatment in Wuhan medical institutions.

According to the preliminary epidemiological investigation, most cases worked at or were handlers and frequent visitors to the Huanan Seafood Wholesale Market. The government reports that there is no clear evidence that the virus passes easily from person to person.

Currently, no case with infection of this novel coronavirus has been reported elsewhere other than Wuhan.

Public Health Response

China's National Health Commission has deployed a group of experts to Wuhan City to support the local response.

National authorities have reported the following response measures:

- A total of 763 close contacts including healthcare workers, have been identified and followed up and no additional cases of infection with the novel coronavirus have been identified;
- The Wuhan Municipal Health Commission carried out active case finding, and retrospective investigations of the current cluster of patients have been completed
- The Huanan Seafood Wholesale Market has been temporarily closed to carry out environmental sanitation and disinfection;
- Public risk communication activities have been carried out to improve public awareness and adoption of self-protection measures.

WHO is closely monitoring the situation and is in regular contact with national authorities in China to provide support required. Technical guidance on novel coronavirus has been developed and will continue to be updated as additional information is available.

WHO risk assessment

To date, investigations are still under way to assess the full extent of the outbreak.

Wuhan city is a major domestic and international transport hub. To date, there have been no reported cases outside of Wuhan City.

More comprehensive information and ongoing investigations are also required to better understand the epidemiology, clinical picture, source, modes of transmission, and extent of infection; as well as the countermeasures implemented.

WHO advice

Based on information provided by national authorities, WHO's recommendations on public health measures and surveillance for novel coronaviruses apply.

WHO does not recommend any specific health measures for travellers. In case of symptoms suggestive of respiratory illness either during or after travel, travellers are encouraged to seek medical attention and share travel history with their healthcare provider. Travel guidance has been updated.

WHO advises against the application of any travel or trade restrictions on China based on the information currently available on this event.

For more information:

- [Technical guidance for novel coronavirus, WHO](#)
- [Wuhan Municipal Health Commission briefing on the pneumonia epidemic situation, 31 December 2019 \(in Chinese\)](#)
- [Wuhan Municipal Health Commission briefing on the pneumonia epidemic situation 3 January 2020 \(in Chinese\)](#)
- [Wuhan Municipal Health Commission's briefing on the pneumonia epidemic situation, 5 January 2020 \(in Chinese\)](#)
- [Wuhan Municipal Health Commission's briefing on the pneumonia epidemic situation, 11 January 2020 \(in Chinese\)](#)
- [Wuhan Municipal Health Commission's Experts interpretation of the outbreak update, 11 January 2020 \(in Chinese\)](#)
- [WHO travel advice for international travel and health in relation to the outbreak of pneumonia caused by a new coronavirus in China](#)

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Subject: China - Updates from GDDOC_PMRicks

Hi:

Article in Science urging china to release sequencing data.

<https://www.sciencemag.org/news/2020/01/scientists-urge-china-quickly-share-data-virus-linked-pneumonia-outbreak>

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Subject: RE: Communication on Pneumonia of unknown etiology - Wuhan, China

Hello:

We have received an update to yesterday's confidential communication from international colleagues regarding pneumonia of unknown etiology in Wuhan, China (see updated information below), which primarily concerns the identification of a novel coronavirus. Although the communication was confidential, much of the information comes from public sources (links embedded).

Regards,
 Philip

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On 9 January 2020, China CDC referred to a report released by XINHUA, the official press agency of China, where a novel coronavirus was confirmed as the causative agent for 15 of the cases reported in Wuhan, China. These cases were detected by nucleic acid detection methods. From one positive patient the virus was isolated from the samples and showed a typical coronavirus appearance under an electron microscope. The expert group believes that the pathogen of this unexplained case of viral pneumonia was initially identified as a new type of coronavirus

Another media report interviewing the leader of the preliminary assessment of pathogenic test results and a member of the Chinese Academy of Engineering, which confirmed that on 7 January 2020, a new coronavirus was detected in the laboratory, and the entire genome sequence of the virus was obtained.

Preliminary results are suggestive of a novel coronavirus as the causative agent of the pneumonia cases reported in Wuhan, China. However, more epidemiological and laboratory information is needed in order to elaborate a comprehensive assessment of this event and the possible risk for the international spread. According to Chinese authorities, no human to human transmission has been proved and environmental sanitation of the involved food market took place.

Additional cases with respiratory symptoms and recent travel history to Wuhan, China have been reported in Hong Kong and South Korea, since yesterday.

Within the last 24 hours, Hong Kong authorities have reported eight additional cases with respiratory symptoms and recent travel history to Wuhan, bringing the number of suspected cases to 38, since 31 December 2019.

In South Korea, one case with pneumonia like symptoms and recent travel history to Wuhan, was reported on 8 January, according to media sources quoting Korean CDC.

As of 9 January, exit screening in Wuhan international airport is known to have been implemented. As of 9 January, no cases related to this event have been confirmed by authorities outside of Wuhan city.

Additional Sources: Wuhan Municipal Health Commission 1, Wuhan Municipal Health Commission 2, Wuhan Municipal Health Commission 3, WHO IHR, WHO DON, China CDC

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Thank you, Philip.
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Hi Carolyn:

The information about exit screening came from European colleagues, but they did cite a specific source. I did a quick internet search and could not find anything online regarding exit screening at Wuhan Tianhe Airport. I did find some other info regarding volume and that Wuhan allows a 144 hour visa-free transit for 53 eligible countries, *which allows them access to the entire city during the 144 hour period.*

Regards,
Philip

Wikipedia: The airport served 20,772,000 passengers in 2016, making it the 14th busiest airport by passenger traffic in China. The name Tianhe (天河) can be literally translated as "Sky River"; it is also one of the names for the Milky Way in ancient Chinese.[3]

144-hour Visa-free Transit in Wuhan, started January 1, 2019

The 144-hour visa-free transit has come into force officially in Wuhan, Central China. Following the Liaoning 144-hour visa-free transit that took effect in 2018, the 144-hour transit without visa (TWOV) in Wuhan enables air passengers from 53 eligible countries to take a free transit in the city for 6 days without applying for Chinese visa before departure.

Who Can Enjoy the Wuhan 144-hour TWOV? - List of 53 Qualifying Countries

- ▶ 24 Schengen Agreement Countries: Austria, Belgium, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland
- ▶ 15 Other European Countries: Russia, the United Kingdom, Ireland, Cyprus, Bulgaria, Romania, Ukraine, Serbia, Croatia, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Montenegro, Macedonia (FYROM), Albania, Belarus, Monaco
- ▶ 6 American Countries: the United States, Canada, Brazil, Mexico, Argentina, Chile
- ▶ 2 Oceania Countries: Australia, New Zealand
- ▶ 6 Asian Countries: Korea, Japan, Singapore, Brunei, United Arab Emirates, Qatar

Areas Allowed to Stay

The whole city of Wuhan is the allowable area to stay for foreign tourists entitled for this 144-hour TWOV. That is to say, the flight passengers who intend to transit in Wuhan for 6 days without visa are only able to sight-see Wuhan after leaving the airport.

What Is the Eligible Transit Port?

Wuhan's free transit can only be issued in its airport - Wuhan Tianhe International Airport. Those travelers who enter Wuhan by trains or cruises cannot avail of the 144 hours TWOV after their arrival.

Regards,
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Thank you, Philip. We knew this would be messy given flu and other respiratory virus season.

One question—where is source for the exit screening out of Wuhan starting on Jan 8th? That is new to me.

Carolyn

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Regards,
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