Risk Assessment for International Dissemination of COVID-19 to the ASEAN Region

As of March 2, 2020 (2:00 PM GMT+8)
COVID-19: Highlights and Situation Overview

• WHO has increased the assessment of the risk of spread and risk of impact of COVID-19 to very high at the global level (WHO Situational Report No. 39)

• WHO has published:
  o interim clinical guidance, clinical training materials and has launched a global clinical data platform to gather data and improve care for COVID-19 patients. This information is critical to inform the public health response (WHO Situational Report No. 41)
  o Rational use of personal protective equipment for COVID-19. This document summarises WHO recommendations for the appropriate use of personal protective equipment (PPE) in health care and community settings, including the handling of cargo (WHO Situational Report No. 40)
  o updated guidance on Global Surveillance for human infection with coronavirus disease (COVID-19). This document includes revised surveillance case definitions for COVID-19. It is also accompanied by a revised Case Reporting Form, line listing template, and data dictionary (WHO Situational Report No. 39)

• New country with COVID-19 case/s
  o CZECH REPUBLIC (3)
    ▪ On March 1, health officials have reported the first three cases of COVID-19 in the Czech Republic. Media reports indicate that all three affected individuals recently travelled to Northern Italy
  o DOMINICAN REPUBLIC (1 case)
    ▪ On March 1, health officials have reported the first confirmed case of COVID-19 in the Dominican Republic. Media reports indicate that the affected individual is a 62-year-old Italian national who arrived on the island on February 22.
  o LUXEMBOURG (1)
    ▪ On March 1, health officials have reported the first confirmed case of COVID-19 in Luxembourg on March 1. Media reports indicate that the affected individual is a 40-year-old man who recently returned from a trip to Italy
  o ECUADOR (1)
    ▪ On March 1, health officials have reported the first confirmed case of COVID-19 in Ecuador. Media reports indicate that the affected individual is an Ecuadorian national who recently visited Spain and entered Ecuador on February 14 with no symptoms.
QATAR (1)
- On February 29, health officials have confirmed the first case of COVID-19 in Qatar. Media reports indicate that the affected individual is a 36-year-old Qatari national who recently returned from a trip to Iran. He is currently in stable condition.

MONACO (1)
- On February 29, health officials have confirmed the first case of COVID-19 in Monaco. Although there are limited details available, media reports indicate that the affected individual was taken to Princess Grace Hospital and is currently in isolation. Any recent travel history or close contacts are currently not described.

MEXICO (3)
- On February 28, the first two cases of COVID-19 were confirmed in Mexico City and the Mexican state of Sinaloa. In Mexico City, the individual is a 35 year-old man who has recently returned from northern Italy where an outbreak of COVID-19 is ongoing. The second case, recorded in Sinaloa, also had a recent travel history to northern Italy.
- On February 29, 1 new case was reported in Mexico, bringing the total number of cases to 3 in the country. The most recently affected individual is a man who recently travelled to northern Italy to with the previous two confirmed cases. He is currently be treated in Mexico City. All three cases are currently in stable condition.

AZERBAIJAN (1)
- On February 28, the first case of COVID-19 in Azerbaijan was confirmed. The individual is a Russian national who arrived in the country from Iran. Details are limited.

ICELAND (1)
- On February 28, Iceland's Directorate of Health confirmed the first COVID-19. A media report indicates that the affected individual is an Icelandic citizen in his 40s who recently arrived in Iceland from Northern Italy, where there is currently a COVID-19 outbreak. The report also indicates that the individual is stable and has been placed in isolation at a local hospital.

NEW ZEALAND (1)
- On February 28, the first case of COVID-19. The individual is a man in his 60s who arrived from Iran on February 26, connecting through Bali. Health officials are asking people who have returned to New Zealand from Iran in the last 14 days to self-isolate and report to health authorities.
o **BELARUS (1)**
  - February 28, health authorities confirmed the first case of COVID-19 in Belarus. A media report indicates that the individual is an Iranian student who arrived to Minsk on a flight from Baku in Azerbaijan on February 22. She is stable and in isolation at a local hospital in Minsk. Local health authorities have begun contact tracing. Health officials in Belarus have been examining and testing any citizen arriving from Iran, South Korea or Italy since February 20.

o **LITHUANA (1)**
  - On late February 27, health authorities confirmed the first case of COVID-19 in Lithuania. The affected individual is a 39-year-old female who arrived in Kaunas on February 24 from Verona, Italy, where there is a current COVID-19 outbreak. She is in stable condition and isolated at a local hospital in Šiauliai (Siauliai), the fourth largest city in the country. In addition, the report indicates that the National Center for Public Health (NVSC) has begun contact tracing and the individual's family members are under quarantine.

o **SAN MARINO (1)**
  - On February 27, the first case of COVID-19 in San Marino was confirmed. The individual is a man in his 80s with pre-existing medical conditions. Due to the lack of a large-scale health center in San Marino, the man was transferred to a hospital in the Italian city of Rimini for treatment. San Marino is a microstate with less than 35,000 people landlocked by Italy.

o **NIGERIA (1)**
  - Health authorities confirmed the first case of COVID-19 in Nigeria. The Federal Ministry of Health indicated in a statement that the affected individual is an Italian citizen who travelled from Milan, Italy to Lagos, Nigeria on February 25. This is the first case of COVID-19 in sub-Saharan Africa. A media report indicates that the individual is stable and isolated at a local hospital in Yaba, Lagos state. Contact tracing is underway.

- **Increasing Cluster Cases in South Korea**
  - As of March 1, **586** new cases of COVID-19 were reported in South Korea, bringing the total number to **3,736** in the country. 2,236 of the country's total cases are related to a cluster linked to the Shincheonji church in Daegu.
  - In addition, there have been **3** new deaths attributed to COVID-19 bringing the total to 20 (case fatality ratio of 0.54% based on reported deaths and reported case counts).
  - The majority of the cases are concentrated in the following locations: the southern city of Daegu and the surrounding region
in Gyeongbuk province, North Gyeongsang province, the port city of Busan and Seoul.

**Increasing Cluster Cases in Italy**
- As of March 1, 566 additional cases of COVID-19 were reported in Italy, bringing the total number to 1694 in the country.
- There have also been an additional 5 deaths, bringing the total to 34 (case fatality ratio of 2.01% based on reported deaths and reported case counts).
- Most cases are distributed in northern border regions of Lombardy, Veneto, Emilia Romagna, and Liguria. There have been cases of COVID-19 confirmed in travellers departing Italy for a number of countries including Algeria, Austria, Brazil, Croatia, Denmark, Dominican Republic, Germany, Iceland, Mexico, Netherlands, Nigeria, North Macedonia, Romania, Spain, Switzerland, and the United Kingdom.

**Increasing cases in Iran**
- As of March 1, 385 new cases of COVID-19 were reported in Iran, bringing the total number to 978. Eleven new deaths attributed to COVID-19 have also been reported by the country's Ministry of Health, bringing the number of deaths to 54 (case fatality ratio of 5.52% based on reported deaths and reported case counts).
- The majority of cases are continuing to be reported in Qom, but cases are also being reported in a number of other cities.

**Travel Restrictions**
- On February 28, Malaysia banned all travellers arriving from South Korea with immediate effect. In addition, Malaysians, permanent residents, and long-term social visit pass and student pass holders returning from Daegu or Cheongdo in the last 14 days must undergo health screening, and separate immigration lanes for travellers from South Korea, Japan, Italy and Iran will be set up.
- In response to New Zealand’s first reported case, the New Zealand Government temporarily banned travelers from Iran on February 28. The patient had reportedly returned from Iran to Auckland earlier in the week. While New Zealand citizens and permanent residents will be allowed to return, they must self-isolate for 14 days. In addition, the Health Minister David Clark confirmed that Chinese international students would not be allowed to re-enter the country and that there would be an increased health presence at airports.
- On February 29, Vietnamese authorities announced the visa-free policy for Korean citizens to be temporarily invalidated, starting 29 February. Also, medical quarantine was imposed for Korea-related passengers who arrive in Vietnam.
o The **United States** bans travel from Iran, and increases its travel warnings to Italy and South Korea

o **Australia** will ban travellers arriving from Iran starting 1 March. Travellers who do so will be required to stay in another country for 14 days.

### Cases and Deaths as of 2 March 2020

- As of March 2 (2PM, GMT+8), worldwide, there were **88,348** confirmed cases, including **3,035** deaths.
- In **China**, there were **80,116** confirmed cases with **2,876** deaths (including deaths in Hong Kong and Taiwan). Confirmed cases in China include confirmed cases in Hong Kong (94), Macau (10), and Taiwan (40)
- **Deaths outside mainland China** were reported in the Philippines (1), Hong Kong (2), Taiwan (1), Japan (12), France (2), Iran (54), South Korea (20), Italy (34), Australia (1), and USA (1)
- **8,232 confirmed cases** of COVID-19 have been reported in **62 countries** (other than China, Hong Kong, Taiwan and Macau):

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705 from quarantined cruise ship

<p>|          | South Korea| 20 Jan 2020             | 01 Mar 2020              | 3,736 (3,720)                         |
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|          | Australia  | 25 Jan 2020             | 01 Mar 2020              | 251                                  |
|          | Sri Lanka  | 27 Jan 2020             | 27 Jan 2020              | 1                                     |
|          | India      | 30 Jan 2020             | 3 Feb 2020               | 3                                     |
|          | Afghanistan| 24 Feb 2020             | 24 Feb 2020              | 12                                    |
|          | Pakistan   | 28 Feb 2020             | 28 Feb 2020              | 12                                    |
|          | New Zealand| 28 Feb 2020             | 28 Feb 2020              | 12                                    |
|          | USA        | 21 Jan 2020             | 01 Mar 2020              | 691 (64)                             |
|          | Canada     | 25 Jan 2020             | 29 Feb 2020              | 16 (1)                               |
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1 Repatriated from quarantined cruise ship: Australia (10), USA (44), Israel (2), UK (4), Taiwan (1), HK (4).
2 Travelled from Iran: Pakistan (1), Estonia (1), UAE (2), Lebanon (3), Kuwait (46), Oman (5), Bahrain (38), Iraq (6), Afghanistan (1), Algeria (1), Spain (1), UK (4), Norway (1), Germany (1), Armenia (1), Sweden (1), Georgia (2), Azerbaijan (1), New Zealand (1), Belarus (1).
3 Travelled from Italy: Brazil (1), France (5), Germany (2), Finland (1), Spain (23), Sweden (1), Greece (3), Switzerland (9), Austria (6), Croatia (3), Romania (1), North Macedonia (1), Denmark (2), Algeria (2), UK (6), Norway (5), Czech Republic (3), Luxembourg (1), Germany (6), Sweden (2), Netherlands (2), Georgia (1), Mexico (3), Iceland (1), Malaysia (1), Lithuania (1), Nigeria (1), Israel (1).
5 Only 3 have history of travel to China.
Map of COVID-19 Affected Countries: Global

Figure 1. Global map of countries with COVID-19 confirmed cases as of March 2, 2020 (2 PM GMT+8)
Map of COVID-19 Affected Countries: ASEAN Region

Figure 2. ASEAN Region with COVID-19 confirmed cases as of March 2, 2020 (2 PM GMT+8)
COVID-19: Timeline (continuation*)

- First confirmed cases in Mexico (2), Azerbaijan (1), Iceland (1), New Zealand (1), Belarus (1)
- Additional cases in Italy (360), Spain (18), UK (4), Singapore (2), France (23), Kuwait (2), Germany (33), Australia (1), USA (2), Japan (19), Iran (143), South Korea (561), Thailand (1), Taiwan (2), Canada (1), Switzerland (11), Bahrain (5), Malaysia (3), Croatia (3), Israel (1), Greece (1)
- Deaths reported in Italy (21) and Iran (8)

28 FEBRUARY 2020

- First confirmed case in Qatar and Monaco
- Additional cases in Italy, Spain, UK, Singapore, France, Kuwait, Norway, Austria, Germany, Australia, USA, Japan, Iran, South Korea, Thailand, Taiwan, Sweden, Denmark, Canada, Georgia, Mexico
- Additional deaths reported Italy, USA, Iran, South Korea

29 FEBRUARY 2020

- First confirmed case in Qatar (1) and Monaco (1)
- Additional cases in Italy (240), Spain (17), UK (4), Singapore (4), France (59), Kuwait (2), Norway (14), Austria (6), Germany (19), Australia (1), USA (6), Japan (15), Iran (205), South Korea (813), Thailand (1), Taiwan (5), Sweden (10), Denmark (2), Canada (2), Georgia (2), Mexico (1)
- Additional deaths reported Italy (8), USA (1st death), Iran (9), South Korea (4)

1 MARCH 2020

- First confirmed case in Ecuador (1), Czech Republic (3), Dominican Republic (1), Luxembourg (1)
- Additional cases in Algeria (1), Italy (566), Spain (23), UK (12), Singapore (4), France (4), Kuwait (1), Norway (2), Austria (5), Finland (3), Belgium (1), Germany (38), Japan (11), Iran (385), South Korea (586), Taiwan (1)
- Additional deaths reported Italy (5), Australia (1st death), Iran (11), South Korea (3)

*refer to previous reports for previous timeline