

Situation Report #29: COVID-19

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Situation:

- Case counts as of February 23, 2020:
 - China: 76,936 cases; 2,444 deaths
 - Asia & Oceania: 1,745 cases; 14 deaths (Philippines, Hong Kong (2), Japan, Taiwan, Diamond Princess (3), South Korea (6))
 - Europe: 176 cases; 4 deaths (France, Italy (3))
 - Middle East: 58 cases; 8 deaths (Iran)
 - Africa: Egypt (1 case)
 - North America: United States (35 cases), Canada (10 cases)
- In Ontario, there are 3 persons under investigation with lab results pending.
- To date, there are no COVID-19 positive cases among the repatriated Canadians from Wuhan currently under quarantine at CFB Trenton or NAV Centre.

Actions Taken:

- The ministry continues to work with federal and local partners to support the remaining repatriated citizens finishing their quarantine at CFB Trenton and those who arrived at NAV Centre Friday.
- The need for case and contact management for passengers who were on board MS Westerdam and have returned to Canada has been reassessed due to US CDC reported on Friday that test results for the American citizen on board was a false positive.
- Planning continues with federal and local partners to manage travellers from the Diamond Princess who did not return to Canada on the repatriation flight.

Next Steps:

- The ministry is updating guidance documents and will distribute them once they are complete.
- The ministry is translating the two facts sheets (How to self-isolate and Self-isolation: Guide for caregivers, household members and close contacts) shared on February 20 into Simplified Chinese and will attach to an upcoming situation report once finalized.
- The ministry will work with and support local partners and the federal government to support repatriated citizens.
- The ministry continues to work with health system partners to understand their needs with respect to personal protective equipment and other supplies.