

Situation Report #31: COVID-19

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Situation:

- Case counts as of February 25, 2020:
 - China: 77,663 cases; 2,664 deaths
 - Asia & Oceania: 2,147 cases; 20 deaths (Philippines, Hong Kong (2), Japan, Taiwan, Diamond Princess (4), South Korea (11))
 - Europe: 377 cases; 13 deaths (France (2), Italy (11))
 - Middle East: 152 cases; 15 deaths (Iran)
 - Africa: Egypt (1 case)
 - North America: United States (57 cases), Canada (11 cases)
- In Ontario, there are 21 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 case definition for COVID-19 is being updated and will incorporate new regions of the world where community transmission is ongoing. A formally updated case definition will follow tomorrow. It is likely that the case definition will be expanded to include travel history to China, Iran, South Korea, Italy, Japan, Hong Kong and Singapore.
- Two facts sheets (How to self-isolate and Self-isolation: Guide for caregivers, household members and close contacts) that were shared on February 20 have been translated into simplified Chinese and have been attached to this Situation Report.
- The ministry continues to work with federal and local partners to support the remaining repatriated citizens at the NAV Centre.
- 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 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.