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# Public Service Announcement

## Coronavirus: Travellers Remain Vigilant

**Start Date: March 4, 2020**

**End Date: March 20, 2020**

**Nunavut-wide**

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COVID-19 is a novel coronavirus that emerged in late 2019 and has now spread to a number of countries. Coronaviruses can cause a range of symptoms from the common cold to more severe breathing problems.

The Department of Health encourages Nunavummiut to remain vigilant when travelling outside of the country. It is important for all travellers to monitor their health for fever, new or worsening cough, and difficulty breathing when returning to Nunavut.

There are no confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Nunavut. As of March 2, 2020, approximately 27 cases of novel coronavirus (COVID-19) have been confirmed in Canada. More than 80,000 cases have been reported abroad, with the majority of these in China.

The Public Health Agency of Canada (PHAC) has assessed the public health risk associated with COVID-19 as low for Canada. Public health risk is continually reassessed as new information becomes available. The Department of Health is in close contact with the Public Health Agency of Canada and with provincial and territorial partners to share information. Currently there are significant preparedness activities underway, and the international situation is being closely monitored.

If you have been travelling through an affected region and you start having symptoms of COVID-19, or you believe you may have been exposed to an individual with the virus, immediately isolate yourself from others and call your local health centre. Describe your symptoms and travel history.

You can also do your part to prevent the spread of infections by washing your hands frequently, covering your mouth with your sleeve when you cough or sneeze, and avoiding contact with others when you are not feeling well.

For more information, please visit <http://bit.ly/COVID-ENG>. Please consult the destination page on <https://travel.gc.ca> for the latest travel advice.

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