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Updated Safeguards Against COVID-19

Due to increase in sustained transmission of COVID-19 in regions outside of China, the government of Maldives has taken preventive actions:

1. Temporary suspension of entry of cruise liners in the Maldives, effective from 26 February 2020
2. Temporary suspension of entry of travelers arriving from Iran and transiting through Iran, effective from 26 February 2020.
3. Temporary suspension of entry of travelers arriving from or transiting through the areas Daegu, Gyeongbuk, Busan, Seoul, Gyeonggi and Gyeongnam of South Korea, effective from 03 March 2020.
4. Maldivians who traveled from or have a transit history of 14 days from Iran and above specified regions of South Korea, will be held in quarantine for 14 days.

In addition, it is advised to halt non-essential travel to Covid-19 affected countries, elderly and persons with chronic medical conditions. If traveling, it is important to adhere to the following measures:

- Be aware of the extent of spread of Covid-19 at destination before traveling.
- Inform yourself of recommendations provided by health authorities of the destination, and adhere to them strictly.
- Limit visiting hospitals and health facilities.
- After coming back to Maldives from an affected country, if having fever and cough, to contact HPA hotline 1676, and follow the advice given

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