

Message to all staff, Sunday 1 March 2020

Hi everyone- For information. Regards Michelle (on behalf of Dave Gawn).

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Friday, 28 February 2020 6:23 p.m.  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** Coronavirus Update #10

Kia Ora Whānau

- **Travel to and from Iran now paused.**
- **New Zealand Government has confirmed the first Covid-19 case in New Zealand.**
- **No further changes to NZTE travel approach at this stage, but obviously this is a fast changing situation and we will issue any further updates as needed.**

A quick update to say that we have now added Iran to the list of countries for which NZTE travel is now paused. This is in line with the New Zealand Government's position announced this afternoon by the Minister of Health. This will have minimal effect for us given that we no longer have an NZTE office in Iran, and had no one with upcoming travel to Iran.

The Minister of Health has also announced that there will be an increase in the number of Ministry of Health officials on duty to meet direct international flights landing at NZ airports from Hong Kong, Japan, South Korea, Singapore and Thailand. They will be available to provide advice and check passengers – particularly anyone that is unwell or displaying symptoms of concern.

This comes as New Zealand's first case of Covid-19 was confirmed this afternoon NZ time – a traveller from Iran who arrived on an indirect flight via Bali on Thursday.

Obviously the Covid-19 outbreak is a fast-changing situation at this time, and we will continue to constantly and actively monitor the situation. If further travel restrictions become necessary we will advise you of those. Our current approach is now:

- All NZTE travel to and from mainland China, Milan and Iran is paused.
- Other international travel is permitted.
- However, no NZTE travel is essential and therefore if you would prefer not to travel at this time, feel free to postpone or cancel your travel plans (in discussion with your people leader).
- As per previous communications, if you have concerns or questions about travel feel free to contact [REDACTED] who can work through a risk assessment with you, and provide other advice and guidance.

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[REDACTED] on behalf of the Lead Team