SURVEILLANCE

Table 1. Countries, territories or areas with reported confirmed cases of 2019-nCoV, 27 January 2020

WHO Regional Office	Country/Territory/Area	Confirmed Cases
Western Pacific	China*	2761
	Japan	4
	Republic of Korea	4
	Viet Nam	2
	Singapore	4
	Australia	4
	Malaysia	4
South-East Asia	Thailand	5
	Nepal	1
Region of the Americas	United States of America	5
	Canada	1 1
European Region	Total Selection 2,798	
Total Confirmed cases		

^{*}Confirmed cases in China include cases confirmed in Hong Kong SAR (8 confirmed cases), Macau SAR (5 confirmed cases) and Taipei (4 confirmed cases).

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES

WHO's strategic objectives for this response are to:

- Limit human to human transmission including, reducing secondary infections among close contacts and health care workers, preventing transmission amplification events, and preventing further international spread from China*;
- Identify, isolate and care for patients early, including providing optimized care for infected patients;
- Identify and reduce transmission from the animal source;
- Address crucial unknowns and about clinical severity, extent of transmission and infection, treatment
 options, and accelerate the development of diagnostics, therapeutics and vaccines;
- Communicate critical risk and event information to all communities and counter misinformation;
- Minimize social and economic impact through multisectoral partnerships.

^{*}This can be achieved through a combination of public health measures, such as rapid identification, diagnosis and management of the cases, identification and follow up of the contacts, infection prevention and control in healthcare settings, implementation of health measures for travellers, awareness raising in the population, risk communication.