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Summary

Report type	Follow-up report No. 1
Date of start of the event	26/02/2020
Date of confirmation of the event	28/02/2020
Report date	07/03/2020
Date submitted to OIE	08/03/2020
Date event resolved	13/03/2020
Reason for notification	Emerging disease
Morbidity	1 (scale 0 to 5)
Mortality	0 (scale 0 to 5)
Zoonotic impact	Zoonotic potential unknown at this time
Causal agent	SARS-CoV-2
Related reports	Immediate notification (29/02/2020) Follow-up report No. 1 (07/03/2020) Follow-up report No. 2 (16/03/2020) Follow-up report No. 3 (28/03/2020)

Outbreaks	There are no new outbreaks in this report
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Epidemiology

Source of the outbreak(s) or origin of infection	Unknown or inconclusive
Epidemiological comments	The dog was placed under quarantine on 26 February 2020 after its owner was hospitalised due to COVID-19 infection. Following veterinary examination nasal, oral, rectal swabs as well as faeces were taken after the dog's admission to the quarantine facility. Nasal and oral samples tested positive for SARS-CoV-2. The dog has not exhibited any specific clinical signs. Follow up nasal, oral and rectal swab samples and faeces were subsequently taken on 28 February and 2 and 5 March 2020. Both oral and nasal samples taken on 28 February 2020 tested positive. The nasal samples taken on 2 & 5 March continued to test positive. Investigation is ongoing. Risk management measures are in place for this case, including cleansing and disinfection of the premises, and proper personal hygiene and protection. Mammalian pets from households with confirmed human cases of COVID-19 will be placed under quarantine and veterinary surveillance for 14 days. Samples will be collected for testing of SARS-CoV-2 as appropriate.

Control measures

Measures applied	Screening Traceability Quarantine Disinfection Vaccination permitted (if a vaccine exists) No treatment of affected animals
Measures to be applied	No other measures

Diagnostic test results

Laboratory name and type	Species	Test	Test date	Result
Tai Lung Veterinary Laboratory, Agriculture Fisheries and Conservation Department (National laboratory)	Dogs	real-time reverse transcriptase/polymerase chain reaction (RRT-PCR)	02/03/2020	Positive
Tai Lung Veterinary Laboratory, Agriculture Fisheries and Conservation Department (National laboratory)	Dogs	real-time reverse transcriptase/polymerase chain reaction (RRT-PCR)	05/03/2020	Positive
School of Public Health, The University of Hong Kong (Regional Reference Laboratory)	Dogs	virus isolation		Pending
School of Public Health, The University of Hong Kong (Regional Reference Laboratory)	Dogs	virus neutralisation test (VNT)		Pending

Future Reporting

The event is continuing. Weekly follow-up reports will be submitted.