First Coronavirus Case Confirmed In Monaco

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At 11 p.m. Friday February 28, Monaco's communication department released a statement from health authorities [confirming that one person](#) at Princess Grace Hospital Center has tested positive for the coronavirus.

The patient, reportedly a resident in his twenties, had been placed in solitary confinement in the hospital's dedicated unit when he was admitted Friday morning.

Following his transfer to the Infectious Diseases Service at Archet/Nice University Hospital, where any person from Monaco with COVID 19 will be treated, an inquiry into the movements of the patient during the last few days has been launched to determine indivuals who may also need to be screened.

This latest development, tied into the Alpes-Maritimes confirming a student from Cannes as the region's first case of COVID 19 yesterday, has not altered the government's course of action announced two days ago, and schools will open as usual Monday following a two-week break.

Anyone over the school holiday having visited a coronvarius hotspot (South-East Asia and in Italy, Lombardy around Milan, Veneto and Emilia-Romagna) is asked to stay at home for 14 days from the date of return to Monaco.

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This self-imposed quarantine will also apply to Monaco's minister of the interior, Patrice Cellario, who has been on a private visit to China.