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Dear Person-in-charge,

The Second Imported Case of Human Swine Influenza (HSI) in Hong Kong

I am writing to inform you that we have confirmed the second imported case of Human Swine Influenza (Influenza A/H1N1) today.

The patient is a 24-year-old male Hong Kong resident who developed fever and cough since 6 May 2009 while he was travelling in the United States. He returned from San Francisco to Hong Kong on Cathay Pacific Flight CX879 (row 62) on 11 May 2009. Upon arrival, he was admitted to Princess Margaret Hospital by ambulance for isolation. He remained clinically stable and his respiratory specimens were tested positive for HSI (Influenza A/H1N1) today. The Centre for Health Protection (CHP) is tracing people with opportunities to have contact with the patient.

Any person or staff returning from an affected place should wear a surgical mask for seven days as a precautionary measure. If they develop influenza-like symptoms such as fever, sore throat and cough, they should consult a doctor for medical advice promptly.

In addition, the following general precautionary measures are also advised:

- Keep hands clean and wash hands properly. Alcohol-based hand rub is also effective when hands are not visibly soiled.
- Avoid touching eyes, nose or mouth. Germs spread that way.
- Wash hands with liquid soap promptly if they are contaminated by respiratory tract secretions, e.g. after sneezing or coughing.
- Cover nose and mouth when sneezing or coughing.
- No spitting. Always wrap nasal and mouth discharges with tissue paper, and dispose of the tissue paper properly in a lidded rubbish bin.
- Wear mask when symptoms of respiratory tract infection or fever develop. Seek medical advice promptly.
- Refrain from work or school if you develop symptoms of influenza



If you notice an increase in respiratory illnesses among your staff or residents, please report to our Central Notification Office (Tel: 2477-2772; Fax: 2477-2770) for immediate epidemiological investigations and outbreak control.

For the latest information and health education material on human swine influenza, please see our CHP website at www.chp.gov.hk.

Yours sincerely,



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