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Dear Principal/Person-in-charge,

An imported case of Human Swine Influenza in Hong Kong

I am writing to inform you that the Chief Executive has announced the activation of the **Emergency Response Level** of the Government's Preparedness Plan for Pandemic upon confirmation of an imported case of human swine influenza (HIN1) in a 25-year-old Mexican tourist. I would like to take this opportunity to remind kindergartens and schools to take precautions against swine influenza as mentioned in my letters dated 27 and 30 April 2009.

The patient lives in Uruapan of Mexico and developed respiratory symptoms on 28 April 2009. He travelled with his brother and his friend from Tijuana, Mexico to Shanghai via AeroMexico (flight number AM98) on 29 April 2009, and from Shanghai to Hong Kong via China Eastern Airline (flight number MU505) on 30 April 2009.

He stayed at the Metropark Hotel in Wan Chai and was admitted for treatment and isolation on 30 April. His specimen was positive for influenza A (HIN1) on 1 May. His condition is now stable and has been transferred to Princess Margaret Hospital. The two travel collaterals remained asymptomatic and are also put under isolation.

The Director of Health has ordered Metropark Hotel in Wan Chai to be isolated since 1 May to prevent the spread of human swine flu (Influenza A/HIN1). All staff and lodgers will be quarantined for a period of seven days. Public health personnels from the Centre for Health Protection (CHP) of the Department of Health have conducted health inspections for people staying in the hotel. Staff of the Food and Environment Hygiene Department will conduct thorough cleansing



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及控制的專業架構

The Centre for Health
Protection is a
professional arm of the
Department of Health for
disease prevention and
control

and disinfection in the hotel. CHP is tracing people with opportunities to have contact with the patient.

If you notice an increase in respiratory illnesses or absenteeism among your staff or students, 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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