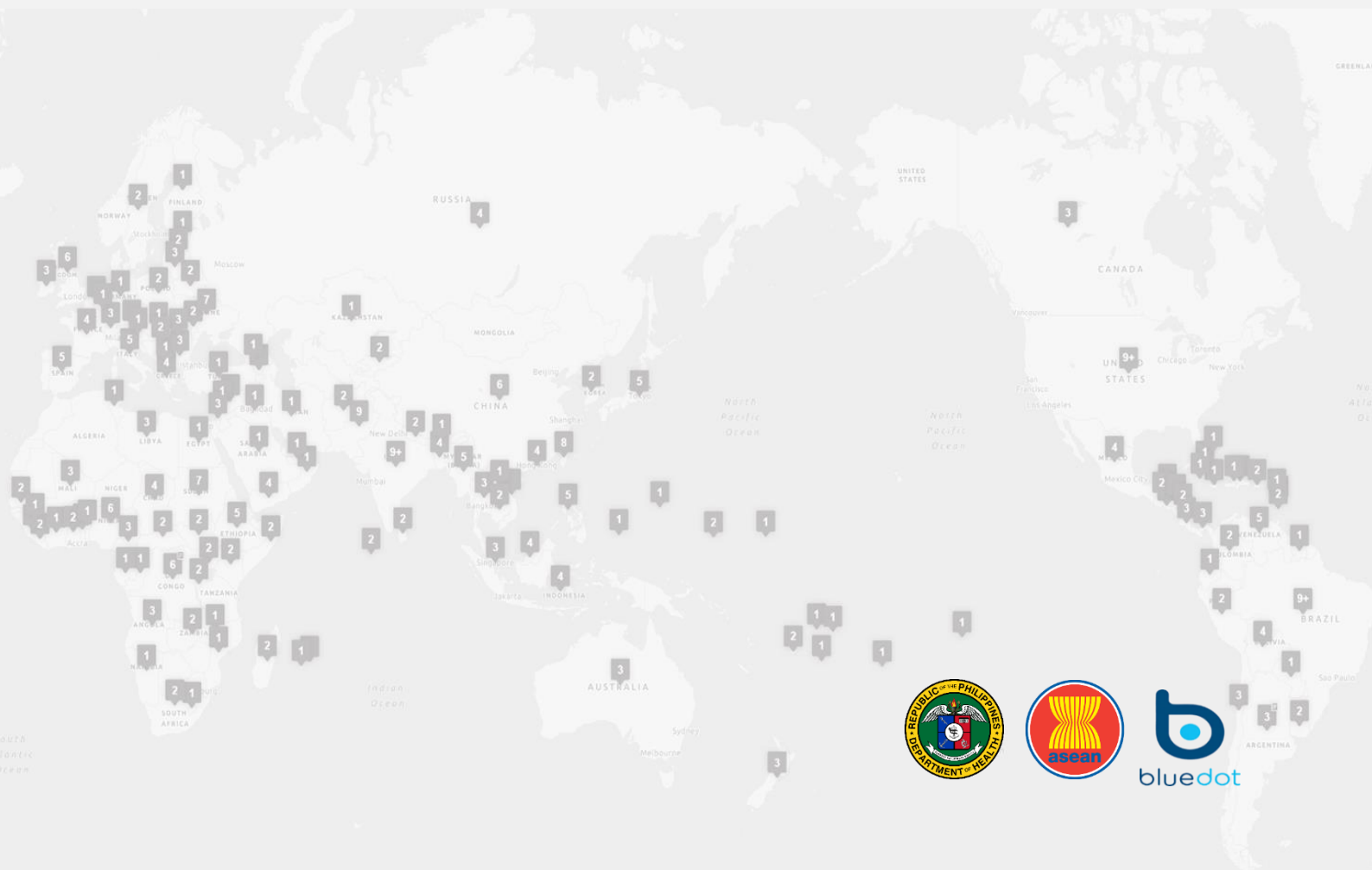# Risk Assessment for International Dissemination of COVID-19 to the ASEAN Region

As of March 2, 2020 (2:00 PM GMT+8)

COVID-19: Highlights and Situation Overview

- WHO has increased the assessment of the risk of spread and risk of impact of COVID-19 to very high at the global level (WHO Situational Report No. 39)

- WHO has published:
  - interim clinical guidance, clinical training materials and has launched a global clinical data platform to gather data and improve care for COVID-19 patients. This information is critical to inform the public health response (WHO Situational Report No. 41)
  - Rational use of personal protective equipment for COVID-19. This document summarizes WHO recommendations for the appropriate use of personal protective equipment (PPE) in health care and community settings, including the handling of cargo (WHO Situational Report No. 40)
  - updated guidance on Global Surveillance for human infection with coronavirus disease (COVID-19). This document includes revised surveillance case definitions for COVID-19. It is also accompanied by a revised Case Reporting Form, line listing template, and data dictionary (WHO Situational Report No. 39)

- **New country with COVID-19 case/s**
  - **CZECH REPUBLIC (3)**
    - On March 1, health officials have reported the first three cases of COVID-19 in the Czech Republic. Media reports indicate that all three affected individuals recently travelled to Northern Italy
  - **DOMINICAN REPUBLIC (1 case)**
    - On March 1, health officials have reported the first confirmed case of COVID-19 in the Dominican Republic. Media reports indicate that the affected individual is a 62-year-old Italian national who arrived on the island on February 22.
  - **LUXEMBOURG (1)**
    - On March 1, health officials have reported the first confirmed case of COVID-19 in Luxembourg on March 1. Media reports indicate that the affected individual is a 40-year-old man who recently returned from a trip to Italy
  - **ECUADOR (1)**
    - On March 1, health officials have reported the first confirmed case of COVID-19 in Ecuador. Media reports indicate that the affected individual is an Ecuadorian national who recently visited Spain and entered Ecuador on February 14 with no symptoms.

- **QATAR (1)**
  - On February 29, health officials have confirmed the first case of COVID-19 in Qatar. Media reports indicate that the affected individual is a 36-year-old Qatari national who recently returned from a trip to Iran. He is currently in stable condition.
- **MONACO (1)**
  - On February 29, health officials have confirmed the first case of COVID-19 in Monaco. Although there are limited details available, media reports indicate that the affected individual was taken to Princess Grace Hospital and is currently in isolation. Any recent travel history or close contacts are currently not described.
- **MEXICO (3)**
  - On February 28, the first two cases of COVID-19 were confirmed in Mexico City and the Mexican state of Sinaloa. In Mexico City, the individual is a 35 year-old man who has recently returned from northern Italy where an outbreak of COVID-19 is ongoing. The second case, recorded in Sinaloa, also had a recent travel history to northern Italy.
  - On February 29, 1 new case was reported in Mexico, bringing the total number of cases to 3 in the country. The most recently affected individual is a man who recently travelled to northern Italy to with the previous two confirmed cases. He is currently be treated in Mexico City. All three cases are currently in stable condition.
- **AZERBAIJAN (1)**
  - On February 28, the first case of COVID-19 in Azerbaijan was confirmed. The individual is a Russian national who arrived in the country from Iran. Details are limited.
- **ICELAND (1)**
  - On February 28, Iceland's Directorate of Health confirmed the first COVID-19. A media report indicates that the affected individual is an Icelandic citizen in his 40s who recently arrived in Iceland from Northern Italy, where there is currently a COVID-19 outbreak. The report also indicates that the individual is stable and has been placed in isolation at a local hospital.
- **NEW ZEALAND (1)**
  - On February 28, the first case of COVID-19. The individual is a man in his 60s who arrived from Iran on February 26, connecting through Bali. Health officials are asking people who have returned to New Zealand from Iran in the last 14 days to self-isolate and report to health authorities.

- o **BELARUS (1)**
  - ▪ February 28, health authorities confirmed the first case of COVID-19 in Belarus. A media report indicates that the individual is an Iranian student who arrived to Minsk on a flight from Baku in Azerbaijan on February 22. She is stable and in isolation at a local hospital in Minsk. Local health authorities have begun contact tracing. Health officials in Belarus have been examining and testing any citizen arriving from Iran, South Korea or Italy since February 20.
- o **LITHUANA (1)**
  - ▪ On late February 27, health authorities confirmed the first case of COVID-19 in Lithuania. The affected individual is a 39-year-old female who arrived in Kaunas on February 24 from Verona, Italy, where there is a current COVID-19 outbreak. She is in stable condition and isolated at a local hospital in Šiauliai (Siauliai), the fourth largest city in the country. In addition, the report indicates that the National Center for Public Health (NVSC) has begun contact tracing and the individual's family members are under quarantine.
- o **SAN MARINO (1)**
  - ▪ On February 27, the first case of COVID-19 in San Marino was confirmed. The individual is a man in his 80s with pre-existing medical conditions. Due to the lack of a large-scale health center in San Marino, the man was transferred to a hospital in the Italian city of Rimini for treatment. San Marino is a microstate with less than 35,000 people landlocked by Italy.
- o **NIGERIA (1)**
  - ▪ Health authorities confirmed the first case of COVID-19 in Nigeria. The Federal Ministry of Health indicated in a statement that the affected individual is an Italian citizen who travelled from Milan, Italy to Lagos, Nigeria on February 25. This is the first case of COVID-19 in sub-Saharan Africa. A media report indicates that the individual is stable and isolated at a local hospital in Yaba, Lagos state. Contact tracing is underway.

- **Increasing Cluster Cases in South Korea**
  - o As of March 1, **586** new cases of COVID-19 were reported in South Korea, bringing the total number to **3,736** in the country. 2,236 of the country's total cases are related to a cluster linked to the Shincheonji church in Daegu.
  - o In addition, there have been 3 new deaths attributed to COVID-19 bringing the total to 20 (case fatality ratio of 0.54% based on reported deaths and reported case counts).
  - o The majority of the cases are concentrated in the following locations: the southern city of Daegu and the surrounding region

in Gyeongbuk province, North Gyeongsang province, the port city of Busan and Seoul.

- **Increasing Cluster Cases in Italy**
  - As of March 1, **566** additional cases of COVID-19 were reported in Italy, bringing the total number to 1694 in the country.
  - There have also been an additional 5 deaths, bringing the total to 34 (case fatality ratio of 2.01% based on reported deaths and reported case counts).
  - Most cases are distributed in northern border regions of Lombardy, Veneto, Emilia Romagna, and Liguria. There have been cases of COVID-19 confirmed in travellers departing Italy for a number of countries including Algeria, Austria, Brazil, Croatia, Denmark, Dominican Republic, Germany, Iceland, Mexico, Netherlands, Nigeria, North Macedonia, Romania, Spain, Switzerland, and the United Kingdom.

- **Increasing cases in Iran**
  - As of March 1, 385 new cases of COVID-19 were reported in Iran, bringing the total number to 978. Eleven new deaths attributed to COVID-19 have also been reported by the country's Ministry of Health, bringing the number of deaths to 54 (case fatality ratio of 5.52% based on reported deaths and reported case counts).
  - The majority of cases are continuing to be reported in Qom, but cases are also being reported in a number of other cities.

- **Travel Restrictions**
  - On February 28, **Malaysia** banned all travellers arriving from South Korea with immediate effect. In addition, Malaysians, permanent residents, and long-term social visit pass and student pass holders returning from Daegu or Cheongdo in the last 14 days must undergo health screening, and separate immigration lanes for travellers from South Korea, Japan, Italy and Iran will be set up
  - In response to **New Zealand's** first reported case, the New Zealand Government temporarily banned travelers from Iran on February 28. The patient had reportedly returned from Iran to Auckland earlier in the week. While New Zealand citizens and permanent residents will be allowed to return, they must self-isolate for 14 days. In addition, the Health Minister David Clark confirmed that Chinese international students would not be allowed to re-enter the country and that there would be an increased health presence at airports
  - On February 29, **Vietnamese authorities** announced the visa-free policy for Korean citizens to be temporarily invalidated, starting 29 February. Also, medical quarantine was imposed for Korea-related passengers who arrive in Vietnam.

- o The **United States** bans travel from Iran, and increases its travel warnings to Italy and South Korea
- o **Australia** will ban travellers arriving from Iran starting 1 March. Travellers who do so will be required to stay in another country for 14 days.

Cases and Deaths as of 2 March 2020

- As of March 2 (2PM, GMT+8), worldwide, there were **88,348** confirmed cases, including **3,035** deaths.
- In **China**, there were **80,116** confirmed cases with **2,876** deaths (including deaths in Hong Kong and Taiwan). Confirmed cases in China include confirmed cases in Hong Kong (94), Macau (10), and Taiwan (40)
- **Deaths outside mainland China** were reported in the Philippines (1), Hong Kong (2), Taiwan (1), Japan (12), France (2), Iran (54), South Korea (20), Italy (34), Australia (1), and USA (1)
- **8,232 confirmed cases** of COVID-19 have been reported in **62 countries** (other than China, Hong Kong, Taiwan and Macau):

REGION	COUNTRY	FIRST CONFIRMED CASE(S)	LATEST CONFIRMED CASE(S)	CONFIRMED CASES / (LOCALLY ACQUIRED)
ASIA PACIFIC	Thailand	13 Jan 2020	01 Mar 2020	42 (12)
	Vietnam	23 Jan 2020	13 Feb 2020	16(7)
	Singapore	23 Jan 2020	01 Mar 2020	106 (73)
	Malaysia	25 Jan 2020	16 Feb 2020	253(3)
	Cambodia	27 Jan 2020	27 Jan 2020	1
	Philippines	30 Jan 2020	05 Feb 2020	3
	Japan	16 Jan 2020	01 Mar 2020	252 (45)
				705 from quarantined cruise ship
	South Korea	20 Jan 2020	01 Mar 2020	3,736 (3,720)
	Nepal	24 Jan 2020	24 Jan 2020	1
	Australia	25 Jan 2020	01 Mar 2020	25[1]
	Sri Lanka	27 Jan 2020	27 Jan 2020	1
	India	30 Jan 2020	3 Feb 2020	3
	Afghanistan	24 Feb 2020	24 Feb 2020	1[2]
	Pakistan	28 Feb 2020	28 Feb 2020	1[2]
	New Zealand	28 Feb 2020	28 Feb 2020	1[2]
AMERICAS	USA	21 Jan 2020	01 Mar 2020	69[1] (6[4])
	Canada	25 Jan 2020	29 Feb 2020	16 (1)
	Brazil	26 Feb 2020	26 Feb 2020	1[3]
	Ecuador	01 Mar 2020	01 Mar 2020	1

	Dominican Republic	01 Mar 2020	01 Mar 2020	1
	Mexico	28 Feb 2020	29 Feb 2020	3[3]
EUROPE	France	24 Jan 2020	01 Mar 2020	104 [3] (10)
	Germany	27 Jan 2020	01 Mar 2020	117[2,3] (21)
	Finland	29 Jan 2020	01 Mar 2020	5[3] (2)
	Italy	30 Jan 2020	01 Mar 2020	1694[5]
	Russian Federation	31 Jan 2020	31 Jan 2020	2
	Spain	31 Jan 2020	01 Mar 2020	73[2,3] (1)
	Sweden	31 Jan 2020	01 Mar 2020	12[2,3] (2)
	United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland	31 Jan 2020	01 Mar 2020	35[1,2,3, 4] (6)
	Belgium	05 Feb 2020	01 Mar 2020	2
	Switzerland	25 Feb 2020	27 Feb 2020	15[3] (1)
	Austria	25 Feb 2020	01 Mar 2020	14[3]
	Croatia	25 Feb 2020	28 Feb 2020	5[3]
	Brazil	26 Feb 2020	01 Mar 2020	17[2,3] (2)
	Norway	26 Feb 2020	26 Feb 2020	1[3]
	Romania	26 Feb 2020	26 Feb 2020	1[2]
	Estonia	26 Feb 2020	29 Feb 2020	3[2,3]
	Georgia	26 Feb 2020	26 Feb 2020	1[3]
	North Macedonia	25 Feb 2020	27 Feb 2020	15[3] (1)
	Greece	26 Feb 2020	28 Feb 2020	4[3](1)
	Denmark	27 Feb 2020	27 Feb 2020	1[3]
	San Marino	27 Feb 2020	27 Feb2020	1
	Lithuania	27 Feb 2020	27 Feb2020	1[3]
	Azerbaijan	28 Feb 2020	28 Feb 2020	1[2]
	Belarus	28 Feb 2020	28 Feb 2020	1[2]
	Iceland	28 Feb 2020	28 Feb 2020	1[3]
	Czech Republic	01 Mar 2020	01 Mar 2020	3[3]
	Luxembourg	01 Mar 2020	01 Mar 2020	1[3]
	Armenia	01 Mar 2020	01 Mar 2020	1[3]
	Netherlands	27 Feb 2020	29 Feb 2020	4 [3] (2)
	Monaco	29 Feb 2020	29 Feb 2020	1
MIDDLE EAST	UAE	29 Jan 2020	25 Feb 2020	13[2] (3)
	Iran	19 Feb 2020	27 Feb 2020	245
	Israel	21 Feb 2020	23 Feb 2020	3[1]
	Lebanon	21 Feb 2020	27 Feb 2020	3[2]
	Kuwait	24 Feb 2020	27 Feb 2020	43[2]

	Oman	24 Feb 2020	27 Feb 2020	5[2]
	Bahrain	24 Feb 2020	27 Feb 2020	33[2]
	Iraq	24 Feb 2020	25 Feb 2020	6[2]
	Qatar	29 Feb 2020	29 Feb 2020	1
AFRICA	**Egypt**	14 Feb 2020	14 Feb 2020	1[2]
	Algeria	25 Feb 2020	25 Feb 2020	2[3]
	Nigeria	28 Feb 2020	28 Feb 2020	1[3]
				8,232

[1] Repatriated from quarantined cruise ship: Australia (10), USA (44), Israel(2), UK (4), Taiwan (1), HK (4),

[2] Travelled from Iran: Pakistan (1), Estonia (1), UAE (2), Lebanon (3), Kuwait (46), Oman (5), Bahrain (38), Iraq (6), Afganistan (1), Algeria (1), Spain (1), UK (4), Norway (1), Germany (1), Armenia (1), Sweden (1), Georgia (2), Azerbaijan (1), New Zealand (1), Belarus (1)

[3] Travelled from Italy: Brazil (1), France (5), Germany (2), Finland (1), Spain (23), Sweden (1), Greece (3), Switzerland (9), Austria (6), Croatia (3), Romania (1), North Macedonia (1), Denmark (2), Algeria (2), UK (6), Norway (5), Czech Republic (3), Luxembourg (1), Germany (6), Sweden (2), Netherlands (2), Georgia (1), Mexico (3), Iceland (1), Malaysia (1), Lithuania (1), Nigeria (1), Israel (1)

[4] Probable case of community acquired COVID-19 – US (4), UK (1)

[5] Only 3 have history of travel to China

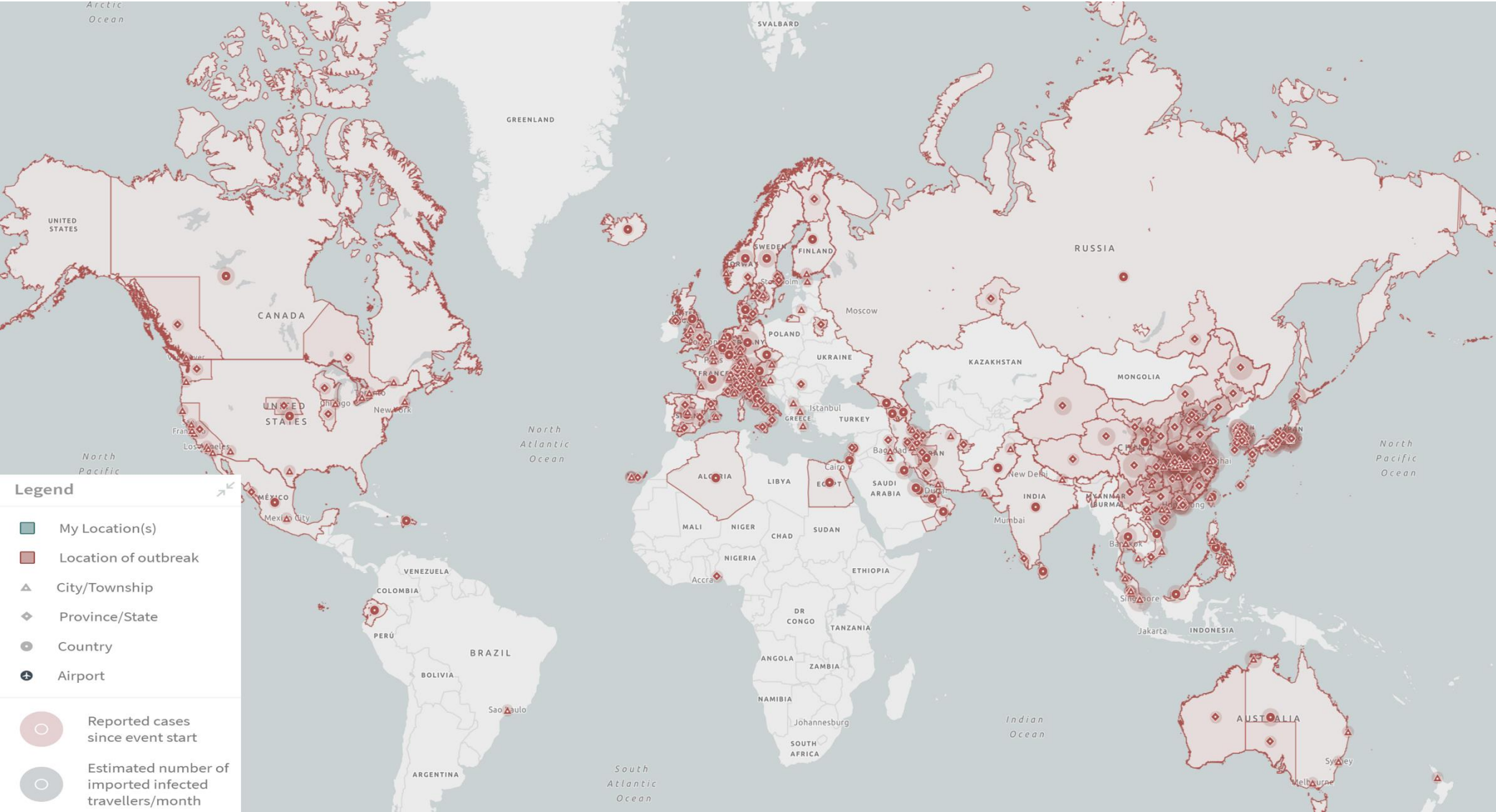# Map of COVID-19 Affected Countries: Global

Figure 1. *Global map of countries with COVID-19 confirmed cases as of March 2, 2020 (2 PM GMT+8)*

Map of COVID-19 Affected Countries: ASEAN Region

Figure 2. *ASEAN Region with COVID-19 confirmed cases as of March 2, 2020 (2 PM GMT+8)*

COVID-19: Timeline (continuation*)

- First confirmed cases in Mexico (2), Azerbaijan (1), Iceland (1), New Zealand (1), Belarus (1)
- Additional cases in Italy (360), Spain (18), UK (4), Singapore (2), France (23), Kuwait (2), Germany (33), Australia (1), USA (2), Japan (19), Iran (143), South Korea (561), Thailand (1), Taiwan (2), Canada (1), Switzerland (11), Bahrain (5), Malaysia (3), Croatia (3), Israel (1), Greece (1)
- Deaths reported in Italy (21) and Iran (8)

- **First confirmed cases in Mexico, Azerbaijan, Iceland, New Zealand, Belarus,**
- **Additional cases in Italy, Spain, UK, Singapore, France, Kuwait, Germany, Australia, USA, Japan, Iran, South Korea, Thailand, Taiwan, Canada, Switzerland, Bahrain, Malaysia, Croatia, Israel, Greece**
- **Deaths reported in Italy and Iran**
  28 FEBRUARY 2020

- First confirmed case in Ecuador (1), Czech Republic (3), Dominican Republic (1), Luxembourg (1)
- Additional cases in Algeria (1), Italy (566), Spain (23), UK (12), Singapore (4), France (4), Kuwait (1), Norway (2), Austria (5), Finland (3), Belgium (1), Germany (38), Japan (11), Iran (385), South Korea (586), Taiwan (1)
- Additional deaths reported Italy (5), Australia (1st death), Iran (11), South Korea (3)
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- **First confirmed case in Ecuador, Czech Republic, Dominican Republic, Luxembourg**
- **Additional cases in Italy, Spain, UK, Singapore, France, Kuwait, Norway, Austria, Finland, Belgium, Germany, Australia, USA, Japan, Iran, South Korea, Taiwan**
- **Additional deaths reported Italy, Australia, Iran, South Korea**
  1 MARCH 2020

- **First confirmed case in Qatar and Monaco**
- **Additional cases in Italy, Spain, UK, Singapore, France, Kuwait, Norway, Austria, Germany, Australia, USA, Japan, Iran, South Korea, Thailand, Taiwan, Sweden, Denmark, Canada, Georgia, Mexico**
- **Additional deaths reported Italy, USA, Iran, South Korea**
  29 FEBRUARY 2020

- First confirmed case in Qatar (1) and Monaco (1)
- Additional cases in Italy (240), Spain (17), UK (4), Singapore (4), France (59), Kuwait (2), Norway (14), Austria (6), Germany (19), Australia (1), USA (6), Japan (15), Iran (205), South Korea (813), Thailand (1), Taiwan (5), Sweden (10), Denmark (2), Canada (2), Georgia (2), Mexico (1)
- Additional deaths reported Italy (8), USA (1st death), Iran (9), South Korea (4)

*refer to previous reports for previous timeline

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