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The United States Mission to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Permanent Missions and Observer Offices to the United Nations and wishes to refer their attention to the global efforts being made at this time focused on lessening the spread and impact of COVID-19. The federal government is working closely with state, local, and public health partners to respond to this public health matter. For the most updated information concerning COVID-19, please monitor the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention’s (CDC) website:


In addition, the CDC advises that all travelers entering the United States from countries the CDC has identified as experiencing widespread sustained spread of COVID-19 stay home for 14 days after travel. For further guidance from the CDC on the 14-day self-isolation period, please see

https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/travelers/after-travel-precautions.html. Travelers entering the United States for a temporary period should remain in their hotel room or other place of temporary residence during that
14-day period. Due to the potential risk of transmission during the 14-day period, travelers should stay in their home or hotel room, monitor their health, and practice social distancing by not going to group gatherings or meetings.

The United States Mission remains committed to providing assistance and communication to Permanent Missions and Observer Offices. Should the United States Mission receive information regarding a foreign national impacted by COVID-19 in the United States, the United States Mission will contact the respective Permanent Mission or Observer Office. Permanent Missions and Observer Offices are advised to update emergency contact information with the United States Mission to ensure timely delivery of any such information. Permanent Missions and Observer Offices may contact the United States Mission concerning this matter by electronic mail at: HostCountryOffice@state.gov.

The United States Mission to the United Nations avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Permanent Missions and Observer Offices to the United Nations the assurances of its highest consideration.