



## **NAURU MARITIME & PORT AUTHORITY**

Aiwo District, Republic of Nauru

### **NOTICE TO MARINERS**

**No. 03/20**

**No seafarer or passenger from any vessel entering the Port of Nauru will be permitted to disembark from their vessel. Again, there is “No shore-leave permitted at Nauru Port” or any part of the island and it was effective on 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2020 until further notice.**

**That’s seafarers will not be permitted to visit other ships whilst in port.**

**Any seafarer or passenger seeking to disembark must apply via the vessel’s agent to the Director Regulatory, Nauru Maritime and Port Authority no later than 7 days prior to intended disembarkation and supply their travel history (including ship to ship visits), health and medical information as requested.**

**All applications are subject to an approval being granted by Nauru Immigration, Department of Justice and Boarder Control and the Department of Health - Nauru.**

### **STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE OF THESE TRAVEL RESTRICTIONS**

1. Assist Government and public health measures aimed at preventing further international spread of coronavirus from China.
2. Limit human-to-human transmission including reducing secondary infections among close contacts.
3. Identify and isolate suspected or identified cases as early as possible and to assist Health Authorities in the early, optimized care of infected patients.
4. Assist Health Authorities communicate information on the coronavirus and how people can protect themselves.
5. Target travel restrictions appropriately to minimize impact on the travelling public.



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### General Background

6. On January 31, 2020, the World Health Organization declared the outbreak of the Coronavirus (novel coronavirus 2019-nCoV), as an International Public Health Emergency. Tedros Adhanom, Director-General of the World Health Organization, said:  
*“We don’t know what sort of damage this virus could if it were to spread in a country with a weaker health system. We must act now to help countries prepare for that possibility. For all of these reasons, I am declaring a public health emergency of international concern over the global outbreak.”*
7. The coronavirus can cause an acute respiratory disease ranging in severity from the common cold to the Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome(SARS).  
Nearly 45,000 cases have been confirmed globally and the virus has caused over 1100 deaths (as of 11<sup>th</sup> February 2020).  
Human-to-human transmission has been confirmed largely in Wuhan city, but also in other places in China and internationally.
8. New cases being confirmed outside China have nearly all had travel history to Wuhan, China.

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Effective Date: 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2020