

Planning of procedure to transfer Dutch national to the Netherlands after evacuation from Wuhan

- A. The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Netherlands will arrange private transport from the airport of arrival/or location where initial reception will take place to The Netherlands. This can either be an airplane (military or chartered) or a touring bus (with facilities on board).
In both ways we can guarantee that the Dutch nationals will not have to leave the transport vehicle to avoid any contact with French nationals. If transport will be by road, Belgian authorities will be informed of the transport.
- B. Reception of Dutch nationals upon arrival in the Netherlands will be according to the public health procedures of the Netherlands health authorities for the novel coronavirus (2019-nCoV) valid at that time. This would comprise of the following: the Dutch nationals will be awaited on arrival in The Netherlands by the Dutch Public Health Authorities (the 'GGD'). The GGD will brief them about 2019-nCoV, and they will be given detailed instructions on what to do in case they develop symptoms. If a Dutch national has developed symptoms, they will be isolated according to national protocols, and subsequently tested for 2019-nCoV.

Infection with 2019-nCoV is a notifiable disease in category A, conform the Dutch Public Health Act. This means that doctors and laboratories are obliged to notify the public health authorities immediately, even if there is only a suspicion of a possible infection with 2019-nCoV. In this way we can make sure that there will be no delay in public health measures as isolation and diagnostic procedures, as well as contact tracing.

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If quarantine is obliged by either the Chinese or the French government, the Dutch government will arrange this accordingly. Before evacuation Dutch nationals will be requested to inform the Dutch government of their place of residence in the Netherlands as well as their willingness to undergo quarantine procedures. According to current Dutch guidelines, quarantine for 2019-nCoV can be carried out at a person's own residence, if this residence is qualified for quarantine by the GGD.

The qualifications for quarantine at a residence are as follows, according to our national protocol: 1. The person can remain at the residence during the whole time quarantine is necessary (14 days after departure from the affected area), 2. The number of housemates is preferably zero, but could be minimized to essential family members, 3. If other family members are present the person is asked to minimize any form of contact with them and to wear an appropriate facemask. 4. No visitors are allowed in the residence. 5. Appropriate hygiene measures are taken in the household.

Quarantine for these persons would comprise the following: transport will be arranged as described under A. Reception of the Dutch nationals in the Netherlands will be arranged at Eindhoven Airport. The GGD will brief them about 2019-nCoV, and they will be given detailed instructions for monitoring and quarantine. Subsequently, from Eindhoven Airport transfer will be arranged to the residence of each person, where quarantine will take place. The GGD will have regular contact with persons in quarantine, until the quarantine is lifted (14 days after departure from the affected area).