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DCs – please could you share the Coronavirus update below with the PM at a convenient moment? Thanks,

**Imran** 

PM,

A further update on developments regarding Coronavirus. Five UK nationals in France have tested positive for the virus and are receiving care in France. These individuals contracted the virus while staying in a ski resort in France. They contracted it from the individual who travelled from Singapore to the UK, and was the third person to get the virus in the UK. He stayed in the same ski resort. Public Health England is seeking to identify all those who may have come in contact with this individual in the UK.

Separately, boarding arrangements are taking place for the second and final evacuation flight from Wuhan. Over 100 British nationals and their dependents are expected to be on the flight alongside 93 EU nationals. The flight will land early on Sunday morning in the UK and the passengers will be quarantined in a facility in Milton Keynes.

In terms of the situation on the Princess Diamond cruise ship in Yokahama port in Japan, there are 78 British nationals on the ship. Of these one has contracted the virus and has been taken to a hospital.

Finally in terms of testing, a family of four British nationals are in isolation in Majorca, and being tested for the virus. This family came in contact with the individuals from the French ski resort.

On the domestic side, Matt Hancock intends to lay emergency regulations tomorrow (Sunday) which will give DHSC powers to ensure those who are in quarantine are unable to leave until safe to do so. This legislation is required because the current legal basis is not sufficiently robust. One individual is threatening to leave Wirral on Monday, hence the urgency. We are liaising closely with DHSC to ensure we are happy with how this is presented publicly.

You will have a briefing on Monday morning on the latest situation.

Imran and NR