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I had picked up a whisper from CDC that it was thinking novel (non SARS, non MERS) coronavirus. Indeed this is what CMO (and me) felt was most likely. We will have to see if confirmed IDC.

If so, there won't necessarily be a diagnostic test initially.

Whether there will be any cases in returning travellers may depend on chance and whether the exposure in Wuhan (presumably from an animal reservoir) was point source or is continuing. Good that there remains no known P2P transmission.

We should make sure that we can join PHE IMTs please

JVT

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Please see attached further update from PHE.

Sarah

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