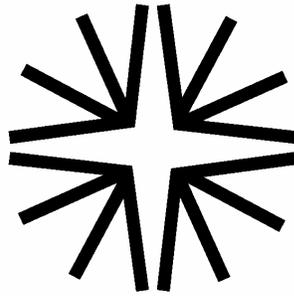


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**INFLUENZA A(H1N1)
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1. In accordance with the procedures at reference, EADRCC has invited nations to share information on national measures taken to prepare for the possibility of an A(H1N1) influenza pandemic.

2. General Situation

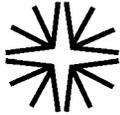
2.1. The World Health Organization (WHO) is coordinating the global response to human cases of influenza A(H1N1) and monitoring the corresponding threat of an influenza pandemic. As of 06:00 GMT, 4 May 2009, 20 countries have officially reported 985 cases of influenza A (H1N1) infection. Further and updated information is available on the WHO webpage at www.who.int.

2.2. Mexico has reported 590 laboratory confirmed human cases of infection, including 25 deaths. The higher number of cases from Mexico reflects ongoing testing of previously collected specimens. The United States has reported 226 laboratory confirmed human cases, including one death.

2.3. The following countries have reported laboratory confirmed cases with no deaths - Austria (1), Canada (85), China, Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (1), Costa Rica (1), Colombia (1), Denmark (1), El Salvador (2), France (2), Germany (8), Ireland (1), Israel (3), Italy (1), Netherlands (1), New Zealand (4), Republic of Korea (1), Spain (40), Switzerland (1) and the United Kingdom (15).

3. Summary of measures taken by nation

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3.1. Austria has implemented measures as stipulated in the “National Influenza Pandemic Plan” and all necessary steps are undertaken in accordance with this plan and the respective Epidemic Law. Although a sufficient amount of pandemic vaccines is available at national stockpiles in addition contacts with producers have been initiated. No cases have been confirmed.

3.2. From the first alert by WHO up to today in the Republic of Croatia there is no notice of confirmed illness or virus. During that period there were 2 suspicious cases but it is confirmed that they are not suffering the flu in general and there is confirmed no presents of a virus.

3.3. Finland has a Pandemic Influenza Preparedness Plan for national health care. The Ministry of Social affairs and Health is working to ensure that the plan can be implemented on local, provincial and governmental level. Health care authorities are in constant contact with WHO, EU and ECDC. There have been 2 suspicious cases but it is confirmed that they are not suffering the flu in general and there is confirmed no presents of a virus.

3.4. The Portuguese Pandemic Plan for the AH1N1 Influenza was elaborated in 2005 for the Avian Flu Pandemic, following the WHO and ECDC Guidelines. Portugal is adapting the measures of that plan to fit the new situation. So far there are no identified cases of influenza A(H1N1) in Portugal.

3.5. The Russian Federation. As of May 4th 2009 no cases of influenza A(H1N1) have been officially confirmed in Russia. All airports inspect passengers arriving from epidemically unfavourable regions, the situation is being closely monitored on a daily basis. Sanitation and quarantine check point’s facilities have been reequipped for thermometric detection needs.

3.6. In Turkey the Ministry of Health is taking some preventative measures, especially in the airports like thermal cameras. There has been no influenza A(H1N1) in Turkey.

4. Information sharing

4.1. NATO Allies and Partner nations are invited to provide updated information to the EADRCC on national measures taken to prepare for the possibility of an A(H1N1) influenza pandemic.

4.2. The EADRCC reports will be distributed by fax and e-mail and posted on the password protected CEP website.

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