Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

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Notification to U.S. Citizens – Diamond Princess

This notification is to inform you that the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS), at the request of the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), has placed your name on a federal list that will temporarily restrict your ability to travel by commercial aircraft into, outbound from, or within the United States. This action has been taken because you are reasonably suspected of having had an exposure to novel coronavirus (COVID-19) while onboard the Diamond Princess cruise ship. If you travel while infectious with COVID-19, regardless of whether you have symptoms, it is possible you could transmit your infection to others.

Under this restriction, you will not be issued a boarding pass at the airport, nor will you be allowed to board a flight inbound to, outbound from, or within the United States until you are no longer at risk of spreading infection during travel. If you travel to Mexico or Canada and attempt to enter the United States through a land port of entry, or if you arrive at a U.S. seaport, you will be stopped by U.S. Customs and Border Protection officials.

This travel restriction will remain in place for at least 14 days after you departed from the Diamond Princess. You will be notified when the travel restrictions have been lifted.

Please provide reliable contact information to the U.S. Embassy Tokyo for how to reach you during the next 14 days. You will be contacted with additional information.

For updates on COVID-19, check CDC's website (www.cdc.gov/ncov).

If you have questions, contact the U.S. Embassy:

U.S. Embassy Tokyo, American Citizen Services, 1-10-5 Akasaka, Minato-ku, Tokyo 107-8420;

Tel: 03-3224-5000, Fax: 03-3224-5856 Email: USGShipContact@state.gov.

https://jp.usembassy.gov/u-s-citizen-services/

You may also contact CDC at www.cdc.gov/cdc-info or 1-800-CDC-INFO (800-232-4636) TTY 888-232-6348.