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PRESS RELEASE

SECOND CONFIRMED CASE OF COVID-19 IN CAMEROON

The Minister of Public Health hereby announces the confirmation of a second case of COVID-19 in Cameroon involving a Cameroonian citizen who has been in close contact with the first confirmed case.

Both cases have been isolated in the Yaounde Central Hospital and are currently receiving adequate symptomatic treatment. Basic commodities are provided under the strict respect of ethical requirements and health safety regulations. **Tracing and screening of contacts which are particularly at risk is effective.**

The Minister of Public Health urges the population to be more vigilant and **observe the recommended hygiene rules**, especially washing hands with clean water and soap. He also urges people who have been in contact with the above-mentioned cases to call 1510.

Therefore, any person who travelled out of Cameroon or has been in contact with a traveller from countries affected by Covid-19 is invited to immediately call **1510** to receive appropriate care.

Finally, the Minister of Public Health reassures Cameroonians and the international public opinion that **the situation is under control and that everything is being done to contain this outbreak without undue delay**, in conformity with the high instructions from the President of the Republic H.E Mr. Paul Biya.

Additional information shall be provided during the press briefing scheduled for Saturday, 7 March 2020 at 11:00 a.m. The toll free number "1510" remains open./-



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