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CORONAVIRUS UPDATE – 1 February 2020

There have been some significant events over the last 24 hours as the spread of the Coronavirus continues and world bodies take increasing action.

- The US Government have announced that effective from Sunday afternoon it will temporarily prevent entry into the US for people travelling from China, unless they are American citizens or immediately related to a US citizen. The Australian government has not announced similar measures at this stage.
- Singapore has announced that it is closing its borders with China and banned Chinese visitors and other foreigners who have been to China in the past 14 days. The measures will be effective from 11:59pm tonight Singapore time.
- Russia, Italy, Spain, and Sweden have all reported their first cases of the Coronavirus in the past 24 hours.
- The Chinese New Year holiday has been extended until 3rd February in an effort to stop the spread of the disease through travel and returning to work. In some of the larger provinces including those containing the cities of Shanghai, Ningbo, Shenzhen, Guangzhou, and Xiamen the government has declared that people may not return to work until 10th February, and it is possible that the restrictions may be extended even further.
- It is unclear at this stage what impacts these events will have on vessel sailings from China, but it is expected that the ancillary services of customs clearance, transport and booking services will be severely limited preventing access to getting containers on board vessels for sailing.
- The Tomax Logistics Hong Kong office staff are back and operating as normal. Our Shanghai office will remain closed until at least 10th February in line with provincial government requirements.

More updates will follow over the coming days. If you would like to contact Tomax to discuss the situation and how it may affect you please contact us via email to sales@tomax.com.au or call us on 1300 186 629.