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The first case of the crown virus in Iceland

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Special containers have been set up at the emergency room in Fossvogur which will be used to treat patients who
suspected of being infected by COVID-19, but the man who was diagnosed in Iceland is in isolation on
hospital.

An Icelandic man in his fifties has been taken into isolation at Landspitali after a sample
from it turned out to be positive for the new crown virus causing the disease COVID19. is
this is the first confirmed case of the virus in Iceland.

This is stated in notification from the Office of the Director ofโรงพยาบาล that the man is not serious
sick but shows typical symptoms of COVID19 disease which are cough, fever and bone pain.

The man was recently found in northern Italy outside a defined risk area for the virus. Now is
has been working to trace pathways, but the goal of that work is to highlight it

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who could be exposed to this confirmed infection.

The notice states that the sampling and analysis of the Landspital’s virus and the bacteriology department have

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no later than 13 o'clock today confirmed that the man was infected with the coronary virus.

Given that the virus has now been detected in this country, the National Commissioner of Police will consult with the epidemiologist activates the level of civil protection, as had been issued when would be done the virus would be detected here.

That is to say in the Medical Director's report, the crisis level is activated both because nothing is left on external infection caused by the virus, especially in Europe, and because the first case has been confirmed in this country.

A press conference is now scheduled for 4 pm due to the crown virus. Here you can see live broadcast from the meeting.

A notification from the Director of Health can be seen in its entirety below:

Icelandic male in his fifties has been placed in isolation at Landspíthali after a sample of it proved positive for new coronavirus (COVID19). The man is not severely ill but showing typical symptoms of COVID19 disease (cough, fever and bone pain).

Sampling and analysis of the virus and the Department of Bacteriology of the Landspíthali confirmed without delay after 13:00 in day that the man was infected with COVID19 coronary virus. This is the first confirmed case in this country.

In view of this, the National Commissioner of Police, in consultation with the Chief Epidemiologist, will activate emergency levels Civil Protection. This is done both because no group infection is caused virus, especially in Europe, and the first case has now been confirmed here land.

The man who was diagnosed was recently located in Northern Italy outside a defined danger zone for the virus. Efforts are being made to trace the path of transmission, but the aim of their work is to highlight who could be exposed to this confirmed infection.

State Department of Public Security and Epidemiologist convenes press conference today at the National Defense Coordination Center at Skógarhló 14, at 16:00. At the meeting will Thorolfur Guðnason Epidemiologist and Vöður Reynisson, Chief of Police at The National Commissioner of Police is presenting answers along with Elma D. Möller the Surgeon and Guðlaugur Rakel Guðjónsdóttir, Managing Director of the Landspíthali Flow Department.

Persons who suffer from illness and may have been exposed to infection due to eg travelers are encouraged to call 1700 (for foreign phone numbers: +354 5444113) to get instructions. Those who have been in close contact with individuals with confirmed or likely the infection will be quarantined and the same will apply to those who have traveled recently days to defined risk areas.

Detailed information on the new coronary virus can be found at landlaeknir.is and at the same time information on defined risk areas.

The news has been updated.