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03 February 2020

07 March 2020

Restricted entry to all passengers, regardless of nationality—except for Maldivian citizens—who have China as their port of embarkation or have transited through China First confirmed positive cases of COVID-19 in the country (two tourists)

12 March 2020

State of Public Health Emergency declared

14 March 2020

Restricted travel from resorts to all inhabited islands of the Maldives, and vice versa, and suspended all check-ins at all guesthouses and city hotels in the Greater Malé Region

15 March 2020

Established travel restrictions for passengers originating from, transiting to, or with a travel history in Iran, South Korea, Italy, Bangladesh, Spain, Germany and France

19 March 2020

Government offices and schools and education service providers closed

Suspension of entry of all tourists arriving via safaris, yachts and other passenger vessels

20 March 2020

Government announced the Economic Recovery Plan (ERP) of \$162 million, to support businesses and individuals severely impacted by the crisis

17 March 2020

Established travel restrictions for passengers from Malaysia and the UK

A nationwide shut down of all guesthouses and city hotels

21 March 2020

All passengers entering the country subject to mandatory quarantine for 14 days

22 March 2020

All dine-in services offered by local restaurants and hotels in the Greater Malé Region closed

23 March 2020

All tourist excursions across the country banned

25 March 2020

Employees at resorts and safari boats are instructed to remain on board for 14 days after the last

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