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Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan

**Additional Important Notice on Visa Restrictions for Strengthening Border Security Measures related to the spread Novel Coronavirus**

On 19 March 2020, the Government of Japan decided to drastically strengthen the additional border security measures against the spread of Novel Coronavirus infections as follows;

1. The validity of single entry visa and multiple entry visa, including diplomatic and official visa of Japan, which have been issued by Embassies, Consulates-General and Consulate of Japan in following 38 countries such as *Schengen member States, Ireland, Andorra, Iran, United Kingdom, Egypt, Cyprus, Croatia, San Marino, Vatican, Bulgaria, Monaco, and Romania* by March 21, 2020, will be temporarily suspended.

2. The application of visa exemption arrangements for *Schengen member States, Ireland, Andorra, Iran, United Kingdom, Cyprus, Croatia, San Marino, Vatican, Bulgaria, Monaco, and Romania* will be temporarily suspended.

3. The foregoing measures of 1 and 2 will enter into force on March 21, 2020, 0:00am (JST) until the last day of April 2020.

*Schengen member States : 26 countries
Austria, Belgium, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Italy, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden and Switzerland

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