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**MERCHANT SHIPPING NOTICE Ref: 3 of 2020**

**Title: Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) - Updated information**  
Notice to: **Ship Owners/Masters/Operators/Port Authorities/Crew members**  
**and Managers of Mauritian Flagged vessels**

**The objective of this Merchant Shipping Notice is to provide follow up information and guidance on the situation vis a vis the spread of the coronavirus.**

1. Following Merchant Shipping Notice No.2 on the outbreak of the novel coronavirus (COVID-17) in Wuhan City, Hubei Province of China issued on 18 February 2020, this Ministry wishes to inform all those concerned that the International Maritime Organization (IMO) and the World Health Organisation (WHO) have issued a Joint Statement to assist States in ensuring that health measures are implemented in ways that minimise unnecessary interference with international traffic and trade.
2. The IMO document published is Circular Letter No.4204/Add.2 and is annexed with this Merchant Shipping Notice.
3. The Shipping Division of this Ministry is continuously monitoring the situation and will inform the shipping community accordingly.

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