

Prevention to Ebola Infection

Due to the recent outbreak of Ebola Virus Disease (EVD) in West Africa, this Department is deeply concerned about the precautions to be taken in order to avoid infection of the crew and passengers of Hong Kong ship while the ship is calling potential EVD affected ports.

Attention of Shipmasters is drawn to the recommendations issued by the World Health Organization (WHO) at the information sheet “Travel and Transport Risk Assessment: Recommendations for public health authorities and transport sector”, in particular, Section 3.3 wherein “Recommendations for ships” to handle the symptoms compatible with EVD for all persons on board the vessel has been made. For detail, please visit the website at:

<http://www.who.int/ith/updates/20140421/en/>

Background information in relation to EVD can also be found in the fact sheet at the web page of the Centre for Health Protection:

http://www.chp.gov.hk/en/view_content/34199.html