



Commonwealth Ports Authority

Main Office: SAIPAN INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, 2ND Floor Arrival Bldg.
PO BOX 501055 • SAIPAN • MP • 96950
Phone: (1-670) 237-6500/1 Fax: (1-670) 234-5962
E-Mail Address: cpa.admin@pticom.com Website: www.cpa.gov.mp



FEBRUARY 5, 2020

PRESS RELEASE

No. 06-2020

Port of Saipan implements President Trump's proclamation

The Port of Saipan has implemented President Trump's proclamation.

Similar to Saipan International Airport, vessels are being informed to not attempt entry into the CNMI if the vessel, its passengers, or any of its crew members have visited the People's Republic of China within the last fourteen days.

Additionally, according to the Marine Safety Information Bulletin Number 02-20, which is issued by the United States Coast Guard, "Passenger vessels or any vessel carrying passengers that have been to China (excluding Hong Kong and Macau) or embarked passengers who have been in China (excluding Hong Kong and Macau) within the last 14 days will be denied entry into the United States. If all passengers exceed 14 days since being in China (excluding Hong Kong and Macau) and are symptom free, the vessel will be permitted to enter the United States to conduct normal operations. These temporary measures are in place to safeguard the American public."

In contrast to passenger vessels, the bulletin states, "Non-passenger commercial vessels that have been to China (excluding Hong Kong and Macau) or embarked crewmembers who have been in China (excluding Hong Kong and Macau) within the last 14 days, with no sick crewmembers, will be permitted to enter the U.S. and conduct normal operations, with restrictions. Crewmembers on these vessels will be required under COTP authority to remain aboard the vessel except to conduct specific activities directly related to vessel cargo or provisioning operations."

For more information regarding the Marine Safety Information Bulletin Number 02-20 please visit:

https://www.dco.uscg.mil/Portals/9/DCO%20Documents/5p/MSIB/2020/MSIB-02-20_Novel_Coronavirus_2Feb2020.pdf?ver=2020-02-02-182614-690.

###