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Braemar's 'Western Caribbean & Central America' fly-cruise update - 10/03/2020

Fred. Olsen Cruise Lines can confirm that earlier today, a small number of individuals on board Braemar's current 'Western Caribbean & Central America' itinerary were tested for COVID-19 coronavirus.

Some of those tests have returned a positive result, giving a diagnosis of coronavirus. It must be stressed that these are provisional results, and are subject to final confirmation from a laboratory in The Netherlands.

Those who have returned positive results will remain on board in isolation and will receive treatment from our on board medical team.

These tests were carried out after two guests were diagnosed with the virus after leaving the ship last week.

Neither guest presented with any symptoms prior to their travel or whilst they were on board, and did not visit the Medical Centre.

The highest level of sanitisation is already in operation aboard the ship, which includes the suspension of self-service buffets and increased cleaning around the ship.

The Captain, medical team and senior officials continue to keep all guests and crew updated on board.

Braemar is continuing to sail to Barbados as planned.

The safety and well-being of all our guests and crew is our number one priority and we are taking the latest advice from the Foreign and

Commonwealth Office and World Health Organisation, as well as Public Health England and CLIA.

We are in contact with UK public health authorities on any required actions and will keep those on board updated with further information as we receive it.

The individuals who have received a positive diagnosis have been given an out-of-hours phone number for them and their relatives to call. For all other enquiries from guests on board, and their relatives, we would ask them to call our Guest Services team at our UK Head Office on 0800 0355 145 from 8am tomorrow (Wednesday) morning.

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