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Braemar's 'Western Caribbean & Central America' fly-cruise update - 12/03/2020

Fred. Olsen Cruise Lines can confirm that we have been required to change the itinerary of our ship *Braemar*, after five people on board tested positive for COVID-19 Coronavirus.

The ship, which was due to end its 'Western Caribbean & Central America' cruise today in Barbados, has changed course following a cautious response from the local authorities, and is now heading towards the Bahamas (its Flag State).

We are currently working with the Bahamas, the UK government, UK Chamber of Shipping and Public Health England to ensure that all guests can return home as soon as possible.

The next cruise, 'Islands of the Caribbean & the Azores' (M2006), has been cancelled and guests are being offered a full refund, including any additional expenses incurred.

We continue to follow advice from Public Health England and there is currently no requirement for guests to stay in their cabins. However, we have put other measures in place.

These include operating open seating at mealtimes, so that guests can sit on emptier tables. We are also asking guests to keep a reasonable distance from each other and crew members, as much as possible.

We are keeping those on board regularly updated and are asking all guests and crew to return to their cabin and call the Medical Centre, if they begin to feel unwell.

On Wednesday (11th March 2020), while docked in Willemstad, Curaçao, five people on board tested positive for COVID-19 coronavirus (four crew and one guest) with another guest returning an inconclusive result. One further guest received a negative result.

We are providing free WiFi and free telephone calls for all guests, so that they can keep in touch with family at home.

We are advising anyone with concerns to send us a direct message or to call our Guest Services team on 0800 0355 145.

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