

March 6, 2020

Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan

**Important Notice on Visa Restrictions
for Strengthening Border Security Measures
related to the spread Novel Coronavirus**

On 6 March 2020, the Government of Japan decided to drastically strengthen the border security measures against the spread of Novel Coronavirus infections as follows;

1. The validity of single entry visa and multiple entry visa, including diplomatic and official visa of Japan, which have been issued by Embassies, Consulates-General and Consulate of Japan in the People's Republic of China, including Hong Kong Special Administrative Region, and the Republic of Korea by March 8, 2020, will be temporarily suspended.
2. The application of visa exemption arrangements for Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (both SAR and BNO passport holders), Macau Special Administrative Region of PRC and the Republic of Korea, will be temporarily suspended.
3. The foregoing measures of 1 and 2 will enter into force on March 9, 2020. 0:00am (JST) by March 31, 2020.

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