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In an effort to curb the arrival of the Coronavirus in the Guadeloupe Islands, all international passenger flights to Pointe-à-Pitre will be suspended starting Wednesday, March 18, 2020 for a 30-day period. This, in compliance with the French Government’s announcement on Monday, March 16, of the closing of France’s national borders along with those of the Schengen Area.

From this date, passenger air transportation to Guadeloupe from other countries will only be authorized for:

1 / Repatriation
US citizens and residents currently in Guadeloupe and having flown from the U.S. with JetBlue, American Airlines or Air France, will be flown back. These three airlines have been granted a grace period past March 18 to get everyone home.

2/ Reunification of families with children or dependents, and students
3 / Exceptional travel for the continuity of essential services
4 / Health and sanitary reasons

In addition to the suspension of international flights, all passenger flights connecting mainland France to the Guadeloupe Islands will also be suspended for
the same period of time starting March 22, 2020. Lastly, passengers of Italian ship COSTA FAVOLOSA will be disembarking in Pointe-à-Pître tomorrow March 18 and returned home on sanitary flights, while passengers who are Guadeloupe residents will be tested for COVID-19 and confined. COSTA FAVOLOSA will be the last cruise ship to dock in Guadeloupe this season.

All people arriving in The Guadeloupe Islands will be subject to the restrictions and confinement measures that have been recently imposed by the French Government.

There are now 18 confirmed cases of COVID-19 in the Guadeloupe Islands, three of whom are currently hospitalized according to Guadeloupe Regional Health Agency (ARS)

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