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C.A.C.A. Alarmed at Rise in Anti-Chinese Racism Over Coronavirus

San Francisco, February 6, 2020 - The Chinese American Citizens Alliance (C.A.C.A.) expresses concern that public reaction to the Coronavirus infection has stirred anti-Chinese sentiment and scapegoating. According to figures provided by the Federal public health agency Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), there are confirmed cases in 26 countries or territories in addition to China and Hong Kong, including Germany, Japan, Vietnam, the United States, the United Kingdom and Russia. The World Health Organization (WHO) reported today 564 deaths in China from the virus with 28,060 cases confirmed in the country. WHO also identified 225 cases outside the country and one death.

Intense focus on the spread of the virus has occupied mainstream media outlets, while rumors and misinformation proliferate on social media platforms. Perceptions of official actions, such as the U.S. State Department issuing a travel advisory for China last week and urging citizens not to travel there due to the rapid spread of the Coronavirus or the quarantine of visitors returning from China, has fueled xenophobia and anti-China sentiment.

CDC has setup a webpage dedicated to information about the coronavirus:
www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/index.html

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