

# Afghanistan finds first coronavirus case: health minister

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Afghanistan has detected its first novel coronavirus case, the country's health minister said Monday, a day after Kabul announced it would suspend air and ground travel to Iran, where 12 people have died from the outbreak.

"I announce the first positive coronavirus (case) in Herat," [health](#)

[minister](#) Firozuddin Feroz told a press conference, calling on citizens to avoid travel to the western province which borders Iran.

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