

# DR Congo declares state of emergency, isolates capital over virus

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DR Congo's President Felix Tshisekedi on Tuesday declared a state of emergency and ordered the capital Kinshasa be isolated from the rest of the country to avoid the spread of coronavirus.

The new measures include a ban on all [travel](#) from Kinshasa to the provinces and from the provinces to Kinshasa to allow for the confinement of the capital, he said.

"I declare a [state of emergency](#)," Tshisekedi said in a televised address. The country has registered 45 cases of the virus including three fatalities, all in Kinshasa.

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