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Novel Coronavirus

I wanted to inform you that the Chief Medical Officer has today lodged a briefing with SPICe on the outbreak of novel coronavirus (2019N-CoV). I hope that this briefing will provide Parliamentary colleagues with the reassurance that the Scottish Government is well-prepared to deal with an outbreak of coronavirus in a measured and co-ordinated way.

I would like to take the opportunity to reassure you and Parliamentary colleagues directly that colleagues from across the government and the NHS are working well together to ensure the ongoing safety of people in Scotland. Officials and I have also been in close contact with colleagues in the UK government and across the devolved nations.

I hope that this information is helpful and reassuring.

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