CAPSCA Africa

Table Top Exercise
XX International Airport is an international airport located in Africa; It is the largest African airport in terms of passenger movements transporting 40,000,000 passengers in 2010 and is the main international and domestic air gateway in the country, serving as an important hub for many airlines in Europe and Americas. In addition to links to all the African States it also has direct links to many European and South American States.
Scenario:

3rd week Sept. 2011: In a region about 50 kilometers from XX airport, a cluster of cases with severe respiratory disease (2 siblings and their parents) have been reported. Earlier there was reported culling of ducks and chickens on farms in the area due to an outbreak of H5N1 disease among the poultry.

4th Week Sept. 2011: A further cluster of cases of severe respiratory disease has been reported – 7 cases from the same area as the first cluster. One of the cases from the first cluster has died. The others are critically ill. No diagnosis has been made yet. The WHO IHR focal point has been notified and in turn the WHO has been alerted. It is suspected that an outbreak of H5N1 has occurred with possible human to human transmission of the disease.

1st Week Oct. 2011: It is confirmed that human to human spread of H5N1 has taken place. 3 more people have died and an additional 14 cases have been hospitalized. The WHO recommends containment measures.
Table-top Exercise

3 Groups

*Departure airport

*Airline

*Arrival airport
Departure and Arrival Airports

Your group will have to hold a press conference. The group will have to nominate 5 persons representing the public health authority, the civil aviation authority, the representative of the airlines operating from the airport, the airport authority and the customs/immigration representative. You will have to nominate one of the 5 persons to present a press statement (Not more than 10 minutes). The panel will have to answer questions posed by the other participants.
Your group will have to hold a press conference. The group will have to nominate 5 persons representing the airline, the chief pilot, the chief of cabin crew, the airline ground representative and the airline medical officer. You will have to nominate one of the 5 persons to present a press statement (Not more than 10 minutes). This panel will have to answer questions posed by the other participants.
Thank you for your kind attention!

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