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To: students, administrative and academic staff members and visitors of the Technion

Re: Technion preparations in the face of the spread of the Corona virus – update #3  
(following updates #1 and #2 dated Jan. 31, and Feb. 17 2020)

Dear all,

As the Corona virus continues to spread worldwide, the Israeli Ministry of Public Health has issued new regulations that extend the isolation requirement to people arriving from Italy in the last two weeks (over and beyond the same requirement that already applies to China, Hong Kong, Macao, Thailand, Japan and South Korea). The Israeli Ministry of the Interior followed up with a ban of the arrival of foreign citizens from Italy until further notice.

The Technion is obliged to follow the regulations of the Ministry of Public Health. Hence, anyone that arrived from Italy in the last two weeks is forbidden from entering our campus until s/he completes the required 2-week isolation period outside of the campus.

Student delegations that were planned to travel abroad with partial or full support from the Technion are suspended until further notice.

Students and staff members who were planning a personal travel abroad are kindly advised to consider the necessity of the trip. Please take into account the recommendation of the Ministry to avoid non-essential trips abroad. Those that will decide to travel despite the travel warning must take into account possible difficulties they may encounter (e.g., cancellation of flights back, possible requirement to stay in isolation, etc.).

Organizers of international conferences at the Technion or elsewhere in Israel that were scheduled to take place in the next few weeks are kindly advised to consider cancelling or postponing the conference. It should be expected that if the conference will be held as planned, a large proportion of the foreign participants will cancel their participation on their own and others that will arrive may find themselves facing various challenges (such as a sudden isolation requirement).

We all hope that a solution to this health crisis will soon be found and until then we shall continue to take action to mitigate the impact of the crisis as best as we can.

With best regards,

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