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Hello,

We know that you have decided to remain on site. That being said, we wanted to be in contact with you given new global updates today. The US travel advisory has **increased the [Travel Advisory](#). The travel advisory is elevated to a Level 4: Do Not Travel today (19 March 2020).**

Please know that it is very possible that for some period of time you will not have the option to travel to the US. Therefore, we would like you to prepare yourself for remaining on site for possibly an extended time. If you have changed your mind and now would like to return home, you should make arrangements for departure as quickly as possible. Whatever your decision is, please inform the onsite staff as well as GO.

Logistics - Remaining on site: In order to prepare for potential restrictions, please make sure that you have access to the following necessities:

- Secure and reliable housing where you are currently located. Your housing at the University should be secured for the semester. Please ensure that you are working with the inbound team in case of additional travel restrictions and extended stay.
- Food, toiletries, and other supplies to last at least two weeks in case of quarantine.
- Quality medical care in case you require routine or emergency health care. This includes access to medications that you need or may need in the future. You should also consider if the medical facilities near them are equipped to provide quality care to a large influx of patients in an emergency situation.
- Transportation to return to the United States. Countries across the world continue to enact restrictions on both inbound and outbound travel to prevent the spread of COVID-19, including halting most or all international flights.

If you do not have access to any of these items, as well as any other necessities they identify, we urge you to secure them now. Many countries are establishing international travel restrictions with little to no warning and may impose additional in-country restrictions with little to no warning.

Please let us know if you have any questions. We have included your emergency contacts on this e-mail and encourage you to continue to discuss the decisions together.

Best,

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