Appendix E. Report for an Event/Outbreak of Public Health Importance

NOTIFICATION________________Region________________

A case or outbreak of [EVENT OF HEALTH] has occurred in the town [LOCATION], commune, region [NAME Municipalities and Regions] on [MONTH and YEAR or time period].

As of [Report Date], [CASE NUMBER] of [EVENT OF HEALTH] presenting with [MAIN SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS] were seen at [INSTITUTION OR SECTOR OR OTHER COMMUNITY]. These cases are occurring in an areas with an approximate population of [N° OF INHABITANTS or exposed population].

The cases have occurred between the [START DATE, WEEK EPIDEMIOLOGICAL] and [DATE TO END or TODAY]. The affected area is mainly [urban or rural] and has previously presented occasional outbreaks of [PREVIOUS OUTBREAKS].

The most striking feature of the cases is [FEATURE PERSON: SEX, AGE, OR OTHER TO DEFINE CHARACTERISTICS of people affected].

Of all the cases, [# DECEASED] died and [# HOSPITALIZED] requiring hospitalization. Cases either dying or requiring hospitalization have [COURSE TYPE: DEATH, HIGH WITHOUT COMPLICATIONS, AFTERMATH, ETC].

[# samples] sample of [SPECIMEN TYPE] have been taken and sent to [LAB] for processing where testing is ongoing or has confirmed [Etiologic agent].

Epidemiological research indicates that the outbreak was produced by [POSSIBLE MECHANISM, SOURCE, exposure factor].

The control actions have been taken are as follows: [ACTION]

Note: The immediate notification must include whatever is possible to complete the learning of the outbreak. Once investigated, it is sent back the full format to regional World Health Organization office.