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## News Flash

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### About 1,500 New Layoffs At Air Canada, As Service Is Reduced:

Cutbacks are once again coming to the airline industry due to COVID-19 restrictions, as Air Canada announced it is against cutting service, resulting in at least 1,500 new layoffs among its union members. Beginning Feb. 18, Canada's largest airline will suspend, at least until the end of April, 17 transborder and international routes from Montreal, Toronto and Vancouver.



### WestJet Lays Off 120 Cabin Crew Due To Mexico And Caribbean Route Cancellations:

WestJet Airlines Ltd. will lay off 120 cabin crew members as of March 2, blaming the measure on the lack of flights to Mexico and the Caribbean. The employees were told about the additional cuts on Friday morning, WestJet spokeswoman Morgan Bell said. The layoffs come as Canadian airlines agree, at the request of the federal government, to suspend all flights to Mexico and the Caribbean until April 30.



### Air Canada Puts All Rouge Flights On Hiatus:

Air Canada is putting all Rouge flights on hold as a result of new travel rules brought in by the government last week to scale back non-essential travel even more. The rules targeted flights to sun destinations in the Caribbean, and most Air Canada flights to that area are operated by Rouge. The last Rouge flight is scheduled to run on Feb. 8. After that, there will be no further Rouge flights anywhere until further notice.



### A Breakdown Of Canada's Isolation Sites As Details Are Revealed On Hotel Requirements:

As concerns about internationally identified COVID-19 variants hit closer to home, public health authorities are asking -- and increasingly, ordering -- people to isolate safely, away from others in their household. Here are some examples of how hotels and quarantine facilities are being used to keep the virus from spreading through communities.



### Negative COVID-19 test will soon be required at land border: Trudeau:

Non-essential travellers entering Canada through the land border will soon need to provide proof of a negative COVID-19 test before arrival, Prime Minister Justin Trudeau announced today. "As of February 15th, when you return to Canada through a land border, you'll need to show a 72-hour PCR test, just like air travel."



### Maritime Travel – TravelSmart: COVID-19 Health and Safety Resource Center:

Maritime Travel has compiled a one-stop resource for travel managers and travellers, offering accurate and up-to-date information on policies pertaining to all forms of travel. This online portal will consist of categories such as:

- [General Information \(COVID-19\)](#)
- [Government Regulations](#)
- [Air Travel Regulations](#)
- [Hotel Updates](#)
- [Car & Ground Transportation](#)