



**Emerging and Reemerging Infectious Diseases,
Region of the Americas**

Vol. 1, No. 1—10 July 2003

Update on SARS

The last reported probable case in Taiwan, and in the world was detected and isolated on 15 June. Two consecutive 10-day incubation periods have now passed with no further cases detected. This achievement means that all known chains of person-to-person transmission of the SARS virus have now been broken. On July 5th, WHO has removed Taiwan from the list of areas with recent local transmission of SARS. Nevertheless, WHO continues to receive rumors of possible cases, which indicates that surveillance systems are working well. To date, all recently reported possible cases have been aggressively investigated and determined to have other causes.

For further information, see

[Global SARS Updates](#)
(WHO)

[Canadian SARS Updates](#)
(Health Canada)

[USA SARS Updates](#)
(CDC)