



First Ebola case in Congo's Goma possible game changer - WHO

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The World Health Organization warned on Monday that the first-detected Ebola case in Democratic Republic of Congo's eastern city of Goma could be a game changer in the scale of the outbreak.

The first case of Ebola in the Democratic Republic of Congo's eastern city of Goma has been detected.

Something the World Health Organization warns could be a game changer in the scale of the outbreak.

They will be holding an emergency committee to reassess the threat.

WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION (WHO) DIRECTOR-GENERAL, TEDROS ADHANOM GHEBREYESUS, SAYING:

"Goma is a city of 2 million people, near the border with Rwanda and is a gateway to the region and the world.

We are confident in the measures we'll put in place and hope that we will see no further transmission of Ebola in Goma."

The case - discovered on Sunday (July 14) - raises fears the outbreak might spread to those neighboring countries.

The Congo also remains under strain from militia violence.

That - and local mistrust of health officials in the east - has caused the number of new cases to surge.

While this infection was being identified, two health workers were killed by unidentified attackers.

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"Both of these events encapsulate the challenges we continue to face on a daily basis in DRC (Democratic Republic of Congo).

Just when we start to get control of the virus in one area, it appears in another."

Nearly 2,500 people have been infected and more than 1,600 killed, in what is the second biggest outbreak on record.