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To Whom It May Concern:

RE: Information on Mixed Doses of COVID-19 Vaccinations in Japan

The Consulate-General of Japan in Hong Kong hereby wishes to inform that in principle, in Japan, people are required to receive the same type of vaccine for both the first dose and the second dose, with the exception of two cases:

Exceptional Case#1

When a doctor determines that it is unwise to administer the same type of vaccine for the second dose, due to the person having experienced a severe side effect after the first dose, etc.

Exceptional Case#2

When a person is unable to receive the same type of vaccine for the first and the second dose, due to vaccine availability or if the person moved to another place where a different type of vaccine is administered, etc.

Therefore, please note that there may be some travellers who hold a COVID-19 vaccination record issued in Japan with mixed doses, due to the above-mentioned reasons, which are in compliance with Japan's guideline.

As the vaccine types currently administered in Japan are those manufactured by AstraZeneca, Moderna and Pfizer/BioNTech, the possible combinations of mixed doses would be as follows:

1. AstraZeneca + Moderna;
2. AstraZeneca + Pfizer/BioNTech; and
3. Moderna+ Pfizer/BioNTech

Furthermore, as Japan has recently approved Novavax COVID-19 vaccine, please note that the following possible combinations of mixed doses will be added once the administration of Novavax begins in due course:

4. Novavax + Astrazeneca;
5. Novavax + Pfizer/BioNTech; and
6. Novavax + Moderna

