

## **Re: A Statement in support of the scientists, public health and medical professionals of China**

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Hi all

I concur with this draft!

One question is whether it would be useful to add just one or 2 statements in support of why nCoV is not a lab generated virus and is naturally occurring? Seems critical to scientifically refute such claims!

Linda

Sent from my iPhone

On Feb 6, 2020, at 4:12 AM, Hume Field <[hume.field@ecohealthalliance.org](mailto:hume.field@ecohealthalliance.org)> wrote:

Peter, some suggested edits to the statement for consideration, with the benefit of time..

Hume

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Count me in Peter. I had thought/hoped that this conspiracy stuff would fade, but clearly not. So yes, I agree it's time to actively counter it, and express peer support for the world class Chinese scientists doing such great work, yet being publicly and professionally impugned.

Well done mate.

Hume

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