WHO says world saw biggest daily increase in coronavirus cases



Geneva, September 14 (RHC)-- The World Health Organization has announced a record one-day rise in new coronavirus cases around the world. Nearly 308,000 confirmed cases were reported over the past 24 hours -- with a total caseload now exceeding 29 million and a death toll topping 924,000.

Israel is imposing a three-week nationwide lockdown as cases there continue to surge.

Ninety U.N. peacekeepers in southern Lebanon have tested positive for the novel coronavirus.

Meanwhile, the U.N. refugee agency says it is stepping up measures in Syrian refugee camps in Jordan after the first five cases were confirmed last week.

In France, which confirmed a record 10,500 coronavirus cases on Saturday, police fired tear gas at protesters in Paris as the "Yellow Vest" demonstrations returned to the capital.

In medical news, Oxford and AstraZeneca are resuming their coronavirus vaccine trial, after it was halted last week when a participant developed severe neurological symptoms. The Brazilian state of Bahia says it will test Russia's coronavirus vaccine and plans to buy 50 million doses.

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