**03.1 Ebola cases in Albondo**

**Risk communication simulation exercise (SIMEX) – Inject 2**

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**Days 6 - 10**

The Albondo Ministry of Health now reports 9 confirmed cases of Ebola. Seven individuals were at the Tri-Country Agricultural Retreat and believed to have contracted the disease there. Two individuals are family members of earlier cases and one individual is a healthcare worker at a rural clinic where the first cases originally came for treatment before being transferred to the capitol hospital. Healthcare facilities are continually calling the Ministry asking for details on treatment and PPE protocol. The public is also confused.

The situation in Boneta seems to be worsening. While the Boneta Laboratory Agency for Blood has been providing details of laboratory confirmed cases, the Boneta MoH released a report that refutes many of the findings stating that there still remain only two cases in Boneta.

**It is Day 10. You are the communications officer for the Albondo Ministry of Health**

**Groups work: 30 minutes**

In an effort to respond to questions and concerns on the part of the public and healthcare facilities, the Albondo MoH collects materials designed in 2003 for an Ebola outbreak that struck the rural area of the country with 60 cases and 53 deaths. The materials focus on bush meat as a source of Ebola and that there is no cure for the disease. The material also contains instructions for proper PPE use, however, healthcare workers are confused since PPE available for use at clinics differs greatly from instructional material and guidelines provided by the MoH. Finally, local radio show host Biggy Vox has begun a daily parody of calling the MoH hotline #989 ALL OKAY, where calls are met with busy signals or no answer at all.

1. Based on your last recommendations to the Albondo MoH, what are your recommendations now?
2. Determine an overarching SOCO.
3. Conduct a stakeholder and audience analysis.