

## **China sets high standard in dealing with COVID-19: Kuhn**

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**China's progress in containing the novel coronavirus is setting "a high standard that the rest of the world must not only admire but also must seek to emulate," a leading U.S. expert on China has said.**

**In dealing with the COVID-19, China has adopted resolute and rigorous lockdowns and restrictions, which are "unprecedented in the long annals of global health," Robert Kuhn, chairman of the Kuhn Foundation, told Xinhua via email on Thursday.**

**History may well thank China for pioneering how to deal with virulent contagions in a globalized world, said Kuhn.**

**Since the outbreak of the epidemic, China has implemented the most comprehensive and rigorous measures to prevent and control the spread of the virus, including locking down cities, to protect public health both domestically and globally.**

**Thanks to the arduous efforts of the Chinese government and people, China's prevention and control have achieved progress with daily new confirmed cases declining from thousands to eight on Thursday. Beijing has also sent medical teams to other countries to help contain the spread of the virus.**

**China said on Thursday that the peak of the current outbreak of the novel coronavirus disease in the country is over, hours after the World Health Organization (WHO) declared the epidemic a pandemic.**

**The WHO characterized the COVID-19 outbreak as a pandemic as the virus continues to spread worldwide while urging the international community to take urgent and aggressive action to contain the disease.**

**The dramatic reduction of new cases in China has surprised most foreign experts and observers, Kuhn noted.**

**Though Western media have expressed different views, "there has been a general shift, now recognizing China's success in containing the virus," even though extraordinarily tough measures were imposed and enforced compared to some other countries, Kuhn said.**