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Taiwan scales up efforts to combat pandemic

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Taiwan Textile Federation (TTF), by integrating upstream, midstream, and downstream textile industries and with the help of textile manufacturers such as Formosa Plastic Group, Formosa Chemicals & Fibre Corporation, Far Eastern New Century Corporation, KNH Enterprise Co., Ltd., China Surgical Dressings Center Co., Ltd. and Chang Hong Machinery Co., Ltd. etc., a complete surgical mask supply chain was formed.

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Taiwan plays an important role as the "Silicon Valley" for textiles industry globally and is a long-term trusted partner of international brands. With years of research and development efforts in functional textiles, Taiwan textile industry has accumulated experience and technology that allows Taiwan government to form a national epidemic prevention team in the fight against COVID-19 at short notice.

Through the efforts by manufacturers like WEB-PRO Corp., Nan Liu Enterprise Co., Ltd, Eclat Textile Co., Ltd. and Makalot Industrial Co., Ltd. on the "National Team for Hazmat and Protective Clothing", Taiwan successfully develops and produced the level 3 protective suit in just one month. In the period from March to April, over one million units of isolation gown and 100 thousand units of protective suits were manufactured.

Thanks to the joint efforts of the Taiwan's textile industry and the government, Taiwan's performance on epidemic prevention has been recognized internationally. Taiwan is contributing its experience and capabilities, fulfill its international responsibilities, and actively strengthen anti-epidemic cooperation with other countries.

Taiwan has donated 15 million surgical masks to support medical staffs in countries with severe coronavirus outbreak, and will continue to provide support to the international community. Under the Taiwan-US epidemic prevention cooperation framework and in the spirit of "Taiwan can help!", Taiwan has donated 2 million surgical masks to the U.S. and will continue to help strengthening protection for frontline medical personnel by providing 100 thousand urgently needed surgical masks every week.