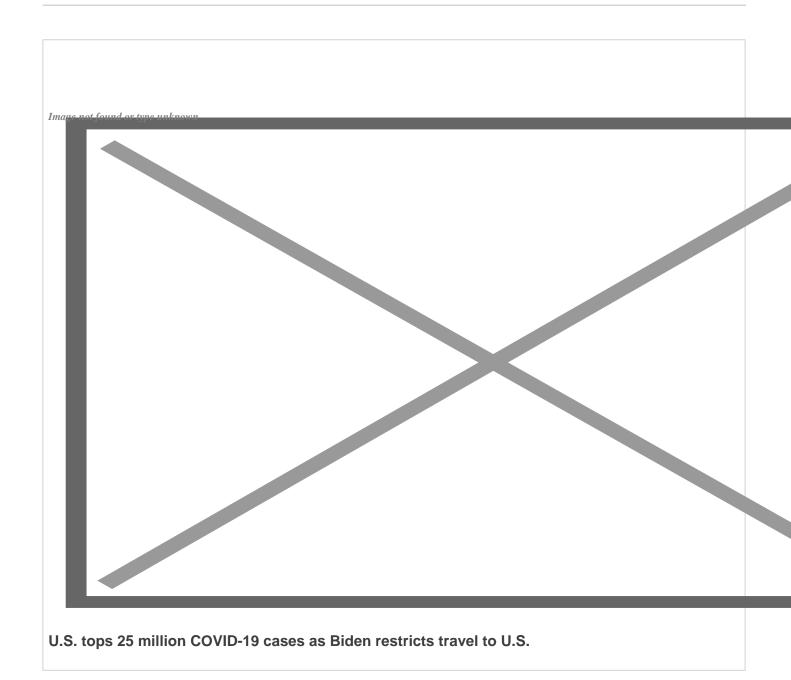
U.S. tops 25 million COVID-19 cases as Biden restricts travel



Washington, January 25 (RHC)-- The U.S. topped 25 million confirmed coronavirus cases Sunday, over one-quarter of the world's caseload, which is approaching 100 million. The U.S. has recorded over 419,000 deaths.

Meanwhile, President Joe Biden has reinstated travel restrictions from Brazil, Britain and much of Europe, as well as impose a new ban on non-U.S. citizens traveling from South Africa, where health officials say a more transmissible variant is behind a devastating surge.

Top infectious disease expert Anthony Fauci said over the weekend there are concerns existing COVID vaccines could become less effective against new coronavirus variants.

President Biden and members of his team warned over the weekend the coming weeks and months will be tough. Biden addressed U.S. mayors at a conference Sunday. Biden said: "The brutal truth is that things are going to get worse the next several months before they get better. We didn't get into this mess overnight. It's going to take time for us to turn things around."

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