A GIRL COMING BACK FROM MADAGASCAR. IS THAT PNEUMONIC PLAGUE?

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BACKGROUND

- Plague** is a zoonotic disease caused by *Yersinia pestis*, that can lead to a bubonic, septicemic and pneumonic form (less common).
- The bacteria is **transmitted** to humans by the bite of an infected fly (*Xenopsylla cheopis*) or by airborne droplets from a human/animal case of pneumonic disease.
- From **august 2017** there is an **outbreak of pneumonic plague in Madagascar** with 1791 cases and 202 deaths.