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USPA NEWS - Spain is heading towards its total closure. At the rate set by the coronavirus, whose maximum contagion is expected for the second half of April, the closings continue without a break. Following the closure of land borders, airspace and maritime borders could soon be closed. The immediate, however, will be the closure of all hotels in Spain within seven days.

Since Thursday, some hotels in Madrid and Barcelona have exchanged their guests for patients with coronavirus. Its facilities have been made available to the health authorities, which have transformed them into makeshift hospitals to care for the lightly ill. In this way, hospitals will exclusively attend the most seriously ill. At the moment, there are few medicalized hotels -among them, the Marriott Auditorium in Madrid-, but the intention of the Spanish Government is twofold: on the one hand, to close the potential sources of contagion that are hotels, where many people live, and by another has a large number of free rooms in case it is necessary to use them.

And is that Spain is still following the rising line of infections, with 767 deaths of 17,147 positive for coronavirus. Health authorities warn that the worst has not yet come. The peak of infections - the point from which the number of infected will begin to drop - is expected for the second half of April. And if the progression of infections continues as before, the number of positives will reach horrifying levels.

All hotel accommodations in Spain, regardless of their category, must close within a week. In Spain there are 14,818 hotel establishments with a total of 1,515,608 beds. Of these, 313 are 5-star hotels. All of them must, therefore, expel their clients. British tourists staying in hotels in Valencia and Alicante, on the Mediterranean coast, have started to return to their places of origin this week. They will not be the only ones. The coronavirus, which has already canceled the Fallas in Valencia, the April Fair in Seville, Easter in all of Spain and all sports competitions, could mean that this year there are no pilgrims to Santiago de Compostela.

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