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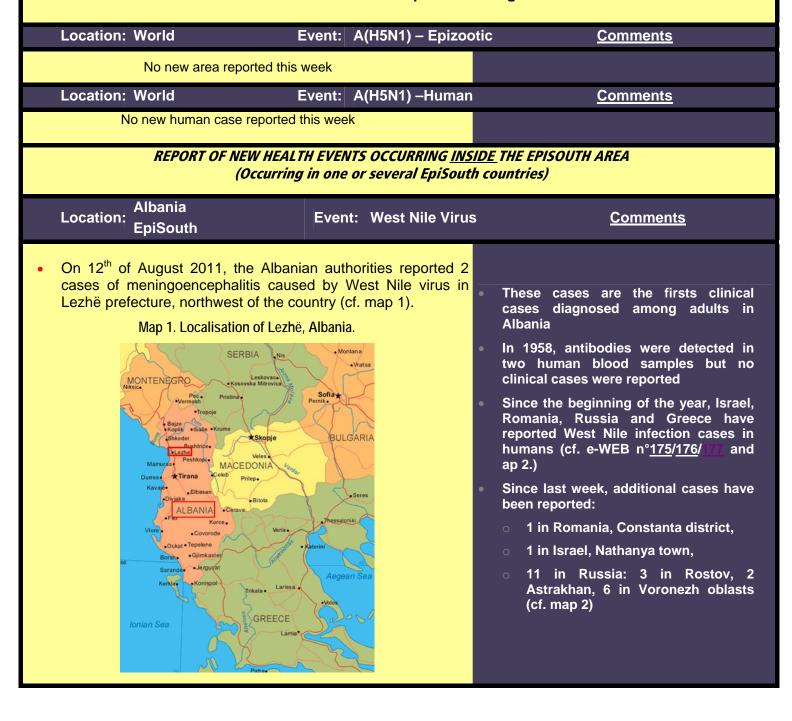
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- A(H5N1) Avian influenza None
- A(H5N1) Human influenza None

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- "INSIDE" events: West Nile Virus Albania / EpiSouth
- "OUTSIDE" events: Lassa Fever- Democratic Republic of Congo



REPORT OF NEW HEALTH EVENTS OCCURRING <u>OUTSIDE</u> THE EPISOUTH AREA (Occurring in one or several EpiSouth countries)	
Location: Democratic Republic of Congo	Lassa Fever <u>Comments</u>
 On 8th August 2011, the Pasteur Institute in Paris confirmed a case of Lassa fever. The case was hospitalised in Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) in the Oriental Province, northeast of the country (cf. Map 3). 	 each year and is responsible for about 6 000 deaths. Nigeria, Guinea, Sierra Leone and Liberia are

Map 3. Localisation of Oriental Province, DRC





