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## **Stricter pandemic-related restrictions eyed for much of Greece; PM in Israel**



Urgent and even stricter measures to curb exposure and the spread of the Covid-19 virus in the greater Athens and Thessaloniki areas are scheduled to be implemented this week in Greece, given a recent and worrying spike in the number of acute cases being treated in hospital ICUs.

In a related development, Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu on Monday presented his visiting counterpart, Greek Premier Kyriakos Mitsotakis, with an inhalant medicine that Israeli researchers say combats the coronavirus.

Speaking at a joint press conference, Netanyahu referred to a miracle drug, with both leaders agreeing that Greek hospitals will participate in clinical trials.

Athens and Jerusalem also agreed to boost tourism cooperation.