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## Update: Positive COVID-19 case – Khayelitsha Court

In the early hours of Tuesday, 21 April 2020, it came to the PSA's attention that an employee at the Khayelitsha Court was confirmed as a positive COVID-19 case. Apparently, a meeting was held with certain role-players, but labour was excluded. This was followed by a meeting with Justice staff who were instructed to go home.

The DOJCD Regional office was contacted, and it was confirmed that there was indeed a person who tested positive for the virus. The PSA alerted the employer that proper protocol in compliance with DPSA Circular 7/2020 will have to be met. The PSA subsequently learned that the Khayelitsha Court would be closed until Monday. The Court will be sanitised, and staff will be tested. These occurrences seem to be on the increase with several police stations such as Athlone SAPS and now Mfuleni SAPS, also having been closed as a result of COVID-19 infections.

The PSA will monitor developments at these and other institutions and trusts that, in future, departments will play open cards with labour in ensuring that we act in the best interest of all parties concerned.

**GENERAL MANAGER**