

FOR PSA MEMBERS: DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND INFRASTRUCTURE

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## Positive COVID-19 Cases: Head Office

The PSA received the reports that the employer failed to adhere to the OHS protocols amid the confirmed positive COVID-19 cases at the CGO Head Office building. The employer did not decontaminate the entire building and only barricaded the affected floors. The employer further expected the employees to continue to report for duty even though the building was a high risk. The employees were threatened with disciplinary action if they did not report for duty.

The PSA was appalled by such actions and raised the concerns at the national steering committee meeting held on 8 July 2020. The PSA urged the employer to decontaminate the building as a matter of urgency and provide an incident report. The PSA further requested the employer to refrain from threatening the employees with disciplinary action. The employer noted the concerns raised by the PSA and requested the Compliance Officer to attend to the matter urgently. The PSA will continue to safeguard the health and safety of the employees in the workplace.

The members are advised to report any dissatisfaction in this regard to the PSA through the shop stewards. The PSA will continue to monitor the developments in this regard and provide updates.

GENERAL MANAGER