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FOR PSA MEMBERS: DEPARTMENT OF SCIENCE AND INNOVATION (TECHNOLOGY)

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State of Readiness for Workers to Return to Work

The PSA received reports that there were two suspected positive cases of COVID-19 at the Department. A virtual meeting was subsequently convened on 19 May 2020.

The management confirmed the suspected cases and indicated that the appropriate measures were implemented. The suspected employees and those who were in contact with them at the time, were screened and then self-quarantined. The Employee Wellness section continued to assist with the counselling processes in that regard.

The building was also closed and disinfected. The department decided that it will conduct testing to all the employees who are expected to return to work during level 4 of the lockdown. The employer further indicated that it is in a process to procure the necessary PPE's before the return of the employees to work.

The PSA requested for the formation of the OHS committee and the constant meetings to provide an update about the state of readiness. The PSA further requested the employer to issue a circular to outline administrative protocols as soon as the department is ready to receive the employees back to work.

The PSA will monitor the developments in this regard and update members accordingly.

GENERAL MANAGER