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FOR PSA MEMBERS: LIMPOPO DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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## Closure of the Office Due to COVID-19

The PSA learnt that 4 employees of the Department of Education have tested positive for COVID-19. Management did not officially inform employees which resulted in panic and employees taking the matter into their own hands and demand that the office be closed. Subsequently, the Provincial Office Building at 113 Biccard Street was closed.

The PSA is unhappy with the way the matter was handled and will engage the employer to raise the same as the secrecy around the infection creates panic to employees and exposes them to danger of infection. It must be noted that in the absence of proper communication, employees are left to speculate. The Department has a fully functional steering committee that was equally not informed of these developments which makes the PSA to suspect that the employer wanted to hide this information.

The PSA therefore calls upon the employer to ensure that correct safety measures are implemented before the reopening of the building. It is imperative that the workers are screened, building disinfected and ensure track and trace of the people who came into contact with the members.

Members will be kept abreast of any developments.

GENERAL MANAGER