



FOR PSA MEMBERS: DEPARTMENT OF HOME AFFAIRS

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## Update: Staff safety concerns amidst protest action by funeral undertakers

The PSA observed with dismay the chaotic scenes on 11 May 2021 at the Hallmark building caused by by funeral undertakers. They vowed to continue with the protest action should their grievances not be resolved. The PSA was concerned about the safety of officials and wrote to the management of the Department to improve security to protect employees from potential danger. The PSA further urged the Department to meet with the aggrieved funeral undertakers and resolve the impasse as a matter of urgency.

The Department noted the concern and issued an internal communication to inform employees about the contingency plans and appropriate safety measures to be implemented. Members are requested to be vigilant and report any possible threat or incidents to security officials of the Department or your local shop steward. The PSA will continue to monitor the situation and advise members accordingly.

The PSA wants to take this opportunity to wish all employees who are unwell owing to COVID-19 a safe and speedy recovery.

**GENERAL MANAGER**