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Dear Valued Member

SOCIAL- AND MAINSTREAM MEDIA SPECULATION REGARDING THE REINTRODUCTION OF HARD-LOCKDOWN UNDER THE DISASTER MANAGEMENT ACT

The RMI's various Offices have been inundated with queries from concerned Members, regarding various social and mainstream media messages that are doing the rounds claiming that a possible reintroduction of a hard-lockdown by the Government, may happen soon. The RMI is of the opinion, based on information received from reliable sources at Business Unity South Africa (BUSA), and the National Education, Development and Labour Council (Nedlac), that a new hard-lockdown, involving a re-closure of businesses and the economy, is highly unlikely and currently not on the radar. The RMI will, as in the past, communicate with members should any change to the current dispensation occur.

In the interim, we would urge our Members as good corporate citizens to continue to apply legislated health protocols, both on a personal level and at a business level. We are both individually and collectively responsible for curbing the spread of the corona virus, and preventing the so-called "second wave" of infections.