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From : Secretary to Cabinet and Head of the Civil Service

To : Supervising Officers of Ministries/Departments

Special Work Access Permit (SWAP)

Please refer to this Office Circular letters dated 12 and 31 March 2021.

2. With a view to ensuring continued provision of essential services and minimum business continuity, the issue of a Special WAP to move in and out of red zones, as per present provision, applies only to officers whose services are deemed essential by Supervising Officers, based on the criteria set out below:-
- (i) for services directly related to public health, all staff may avail of this facility; and
 - (ii) for other essential services (e.g. intervention for provision of electricity, water, telecommunication and road safety), a minimum staff may be allowed for interventions.
3. Based on the above criteria, Supervising Officers should, henceforth, call upon their respective Ministries/Departments/Parastatal Bodies and State-owned Enterprises to apply directly for the Special WAP for Red Zone on *besafemoris* platform by entering their respective permit ID which they have obtained on their normal WAP. Applications have to be made accordingly on the *besafemoris* website **with full justifications** as to why this facility is required in respect of each officer. Same procedure will also be applicable for Local Authorities.
4. Once the submission has been made online, a Special Committee set up at the Ministry of Finance, Economic Planning and Development will examine and validate the applications on a case to case basis and submit same to the Mauritius Police Force for consideration and issuance, or otherwise, of the Special WAP.
5. I rely on your usual collaboration.

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