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Temporary Closure of the Consulate General of Jamaica, New York

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Today, 29th January 2021, the Consulate General of Jamaica, New York, confirmed that one of its members of staff tested positive for COVID-19.

Upon learning of the situation, Consul General Alsion Wilson took immediate action in closing the Consulate General and organizing a deep cleaning of the office. As a precautionary measure, the office will be closed to the public for ten (10) days effective 1st of February 2021. These measures will serve to ensure public safety and provide staff members with the opportunity to self-quarantine as per the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidelines.

“While we continue to monitor our colleague’s condition, we remain fully committed to serving our fellow nationals during this challenging period,” Consul General Wilson said.

During the period of closure, our telephone line (212 935-9000) will be manned by the Consul General along with staff members. We apologize for the inconvenience that this may cause to persons who had face-to-face appointments, but take this opportunity to remind the public that adult Machine-Readable Passport renewals may now be done directly, quickly and safely online through www.pica.gov.jm.

The Consulate General of Jamaica, New York, continues to take all necessary actions to protect the health and safety of staff and the public, especially given the continued threat of the COVID-19 pandemic. These actions include directing symptomatic and asymptomatic employees to self-quarantine at home, increasing the use of teleworking, encouraging social distancing, and other COVID-19 preventive measures.

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