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Dear Brothers and Sisters:

There is no doubt that we are in trying times. Across our Country and the World, there are measures being taken to help stop the spread of COVID-19 Coronavirus (“Corona”) that has never been taken in our lifetime. It is understandable that you have very mixed emotions right now. Many of you have reached out to express anxiety, worry, fear, confusion, and others – know this: all of these emotions are valid and shared.

Please be assured that the FCGOA leadership and representatives are carefully tracking the spread of Corona and the impact the outbreak is having on all facets of our daily lives. We recognize the great difficulty of figuring out how best to navigate all the disruptions resulting from this public health crisis. As we all know, this is a fluid situation that is evolving by the day. Just last night, the Federal Government passed a law to help ease the health (and the subsequent economic) crisis. As more information becomes available – and if affects us – the Union will keep you updated.

Know this - our priority has always been, and will continue to be, you and your well-being. This is why FCGOA has sent a letter to your employer recommending certain safety procedures, as outlined by the CDC, as well as asking your employer to tell us what precautions and measures they are/will be taking to ensure that proper safeguards are being implemented to protect your health and well-being. Many employers have replied back with their company’s plans to battle Corona, and it is reassuring that they are taking this matter very seriously. But it does not end there – we continue to solicit regular updates from your employers. Specifically, we have asked them for any Government/Client directives on closing buildings or posts. We want to ensure that you have a way to be compensated for any time lost if your building or post is closed as a result of Corona.

If you haven’t seen it already, please see the attached correspondence that we have sent to your employer and your shop steward(s) regarding this matter. If you have questions specific to your situation or work site, please reach out to your shop steward, and, as always, reach out to the Union. We will provide updates as they become available.

While this period in history is a trying time, you know – as a security professional – that we cannot sit down when the road gets rough. Instead, we get going. Remember your training, your professionalism, and compassion towards those who do not have the skills or ability to do what you do. History will define us by the actions we take today. Remember – you are UNION STRONG!

In Solidarity,

Michael Jones  
President

***Stronger Together!***