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Steffen Faurby **Managing Director** TAFE NSW Mary Ann Street **ULTIMO NSW 2007**

By email: Steffen.Faurby@tafensw.edu.au

Dear Mr Faurby,

RE: Closure of all libraries across TAFENSW campuses

The Community and Public Sector Union (CPSU-NSW) writes to urgently seek clarification that TAFENSW will be following the directive of the Prime Minister to close all libraries by midnight tonight 25 March 2020.

As you are aware the CPSU NSW has been raising issues with the continued operation of the libraries, particularly this morning. The ongoing operation of these places is putting our members, staff and students at risk of contracting and transmitting COVID-19.

The Prime Minister last night ordered the closure of libraries Australia wide. For your reference there is a list supplied by ABC here - https://www.abc.net.au/news/2020-03-24/scott-morrison- announces-new-measures-to-slow-coronavirus-spread/12086206

There is plenty of meaningful work for staff to continue to undertake and we are happy to have discussions around this, including options for staff to work from home. There is also significant support that can be provided to students without the libraries being open and staff being put at risk.

We look forward to your swift response.

I can be contacted on 0408 029 925 or by email at mdrake-brockman@psa.asn.au should you wish to contact me directly.

Yours faithfully

Matthew Drake-Brockman For Stewart Little

State Branch Secretary

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