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Mr Julian Oliveux Head of Workplace Relations TAFE NSW Mary Ann Street **ULTIMO NSW 2007** 

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Dear Mr Oliveux,

Re: Postponement of BD - International and P&S - Recruitment restructures

I write to you on behalf of the Community and Public Sector Union (CPSU NSW) and wish to draw your attention to the proposed restructuring of the Business Development -International (BDI) and People & Safety - Recruitment units. I understand TAFE NSW plans to commence a recruitment process shortly for both unit restructures, prior to implementation towards the middle of the year.

I am advised that a significant number of staff are likely to be displaced and potentially unemployed as a result of this process. Presently, if the proposed organisational changes proceed this number could be as many as 25. Nine in People and Safety – Recruitment and 16 in BDI.

In light of the current circumstances, and the fact that much of the economy is in lockdown, I believe your organisation's plans should be delayed if not entirely abandoned. Indeed to push ahead, at this time, would be reckless, unnecessary and contrary to government initiatives to keep workers employed and the economy buoyant.

Our political leaders have repeatedly encouraged employers to act in the common good and avoid laying off staff unless it is absolutely unavoidable. In my view, the public sector as an organ of government – has a responsibility to lead by example in this regard.

I thank you for taking the time to consider this matter and look forward to your response.

Please forward any enquires relating to this matter to CPSU NSW Industrial Officer Matthew Drake-Brockman on <a href="mailto:mdf">mdrake-brockman@psa.asn.au</a> or 0408 029925.

Yours sincerely,

Matthew Drake-Brockman

**For Stewart Little** 

STATE BRANCH SECRETARY