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Statement from the Infectious Diseases Institute Management on the Index COVID-19 Case.

The Infectious Diseases Institute at Makerere University has confirmed one case of COVID-19 in an employee of the Institute. The affected employee is in good health (asymptomatic) and is isolated under observation at a Government of Uganda facility in line with Ministry of Health guidelines. We wish our colleague a speedy and full recovery.

The individual was not directly involved in the COVID-19 response. Prior to diagnosis, the individual had been home-working for two weeks and has not been at IDI premises since mid-August. We have counselled the staff who work with the individual about this development.

The well-being and safety of our staff is a top priority for the IDI and Management continuously seeks opportunities to enhance the safety of our staff from health threats including infectious diseases. Since the beginning of the COVID pandemic IDI Management has implemented all evidence-based infection, prevention and control (IPC) measures, including social distancing at the Institute.

We will continue to provide guidance to staff in the context of the current trends in the outbreak.

For more information on COVID-19, please visit: <https://idi.mak.ac.ug/covid-19/>

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