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Attention: All Members and Stakeholders

Dear Golfer/Supplier/Partner to the Senior Tour,

The SA Senior Tour- COVID-19 virus

On behalf of the Senior Tour Board of Directors, we have addressed our position covering the COVID-19 virus in the best way we can, always for the concern of our membership.

The State President has given several national speeches covering the major concerns and current situation in South Africa about the pandemic that is affecting the whole world.

Today we have moved to level 3, a governmental action programme with specific rules, regulations, and conditions. We urge all members to seek these conditions and be obedient to them.

Golf RSA, PGA of SA and the Sunshine Tour have approached and met with the Minister of Sport, Arts and Culture, as well as the Director General at this level of government. The Senior Tour added input to letters to the authorities in a collective and one voice with the other golfing bodies as well.

The Minister of Sport delivered a speech, as well as a Q&A last Saturday, that left the golfing fraternity in dismay offering no definite time frame to re-open the golf courses. The confusion was that professional sportsmen could start practising but we as golfers cannot begin unless golf courses are opened for play.

Letters have also been forwarded by Golf RSA and PGA of SA to our industry, as well as them doing some recorded TV work that has been flighted recently. Again, this substance received is "please be patient and wait", without confidence giving a time frame.

We believe that a proper 'WORK PLAN' for government approval is on the table to enable the golf facilities to re-open with limited F&B. This would include the ability to social distance, register for play and the actual playing requirements (e.g. no bunker rakes, clean with feet/club, the pin and how we hole out, keeping score, sanitisation, water distribution, carts, caddies, number at gatherings, prize giving, amateur participation, number of players per tee time, etc.).

We respect the communication from the President in his speeches and we will follow the instructions given by the government. We await the procedure to follow and we request that our members remain patient and abide by the law of the land.

The Senior Tour continues with our future planning scenario and will communicate with members again as soon as we hear positive news. At this stage we hope to host an event on 9-10 July 2020 in Gauteng.

In the meantime, wear masks, keep social distancing, wash your hands regularly, keep safe and healthy and be patient with this situation beyond our control.

Yours Sincerely,

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