

Oglaigh na hÉireann General Staff update - 12FEB21 IRISH DEFENCE FORCES

The General Staff convened on 11 Feb to review the range of updates and provide clarity for the DF General Framework for Living with COVID-19 related restrictions.

The Force protection of all personnel remains the priority of the General Staff. ACOS has reiterated the importance of minimising staff attendance in shared workspaces, with staff operating in pods where piratical.

As of 11 Feb 21, 286 members of the Defence Forces have received the COVID-19 vaccine. An additional 250 DF personnel are expected to be vaccinated next week. All personnel are either members of the CMU or are other "COVID Facing" personnel involved in providing support to the HSE.

Planning and risk assessment for the commissioning of the 96th Cadet Class on the 25th of March are ongoing.

Release orders for March's issue of PPE to Brigades and Services will be sent to OCES on 19 FEB 21 and a six month supply of PPE will also be release on that date to the NSRC for the 63rd Inf Gp deploying to UNDOF

Troops deploying to missions where they have access to DF medical personnel will continue to receive the Battlefield Aid module on the Overseas Qualification Course. Troops traveling on all small missions will continue to receive the Medical First Responder course.

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