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## Update: Resumption of Temporary Employer / Employee Relief Scheme (“TERS”) payments

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On 26 August 2020 the Department of Employment and Labour published a statement announcing the **resumption of the payment of TERS benefits after there had been a 24 hour suspension thereof**.

The suspension was reportedly necessary to “address some control deficiencies” in the TERS online payment system. The UIF Commissioner stated that the suspension of payments is something which is done regularly when there are certain anomalies identified that increase the risk or exposure to potential fraud. Payments had also been stopped at the instruction of the UIF’s Internal Audit and Risk Management Units.

The full statement may be accessed at: <https://www.gov.za/speeches/employment-and-labour-lifts-delay-coronavirus-covid-19-TERS-benefit-payments-26-aug-2020>.



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