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## Press Release

### Warning issued against entry to restricted areas

The Recovery Operation Centre (ROC) has issued stern warning to the public in Port Vila and on Efate regarding restricted area of the Central Business District (CBD).

The ROC says Access to these areas, specifically the road from ASCO Motors to the Central Business District, along with entries from Moorings, from the Vanuatu National Provident Fund and Vila Mall, the Cathedral, from Care Centre, and the Prime Minister's Office, are prohibited.

Many unauthorised people and vehicles have been observed entering these restricted areas without valid access pass.

The ROC clarifies that only the business owners and their managers or supervisors who have been issued ROC ACCESS PASS, will be allowed into the CBD to inspect their offices or business. Police have been notified and strict measures have been put in place. Anyone who attempts to enter these restricted areas will be arrested and prosecuted.

This restriction will remain in place until safety is ensured, and occupancy to buildings will only be allowed upon issuance of a safety certificate from the Public Works Department.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'John Ezra'.

Approved By

John Ezra — Director

