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Today, the Department of Commerce received confirmation that a member of the Herbert C. Hoover building contractor team is symptomatic for COVID-19. Sunday, April 12, was the last day the person was in the building and the travel of this person was on the first floor.

Out of an abundance of caution for the health and safety of our workforce and community, effective immediately, the HCHB is closed until further notice so that cleaning of the impacted areas can take place. If you are currently in the building, please exit immediately via the 14th and Pennsylvania Avenue exit. This is the north east corner of the building.

Access to HCHB will be restricted to only necessary security and facility maintenance staff until a message is sent in the coming days that access to mission critical employees is restored. Mission critical employees in need of secure space should contact their supervisors who are currently working to determine alternative work space.

Based on CDC guidance, those who were in the building on or since April 1 and experiencing symptoms should contact their healthcare provider. All those living in the National Capital Region should continue to follow State and local guidance, including stay at home orders, practice good health hygiene, limit contact with others per CDC guidance, and contact your health provider if you are experiencing symptoms.

Department leadership continues to be grateful for the patience of each member of the Commerce team and your dedication to helping stop the spread of COVID-19 while continuing to support American business.

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