

THE MSF MIS/DISINFO THREAT ASSESSMENT

STEP 1: CLASSIFY

A QUICK CLASSIFICATION OF THE INFORMATION AT HAND

LOWER RISK •••••••••••••	HIGHER RISK

Parody	Misconception /	Misinformation	Trolling or	Disinformation	Malinformation,
or Joke?	Misunderstanding	that could harm	Targeting	Attack	Leak or Hack

STEP 2: EVALUATE

WHAT KIND OF RISK DOES THIS CONTENT POSE?

	LOW	MEDIUM	HIGH	URGENT
GRAVITY	No risk real life harm or threat	Moderate risk of harm	Indirect risk of real-life harm	Direct threat of real-life harm
SCALE	Not much attention	Moderate pick up, some comments	Significant attention in short time	Going viral
NOVELTY	Not new, has been said before	Common or adapted trope	New rumour linked to wider issue	Entirely new
TARGET	No specific target	Generally targets MSF	Directly targets MSF	Directly targets specific MSF entity
SOURCE	Source with limited reach	Localised movement, ad hoc	Coordinated, purposeful	Networks with significant reach

STEP 3: RESPOND

WHAT SHOULD YOU DO TO ADDRESS THIS?

Hide or delete	Hide, delete, remove, block or report	Set up monitoring and alerts	Activate Disinfo Response Team
Ignore completely Block user	Set up monitoring	Verify claims	Contact Disinfo Officer
Respond to comment	Verify claims	Contact Disinfo Officer	Set up monitoring
Keep an eye on it in	Prepare for escalation	Activate Disinfo Response Team	Verify claims
case of escalation Report content on the	Consider response strategy	Seek digital support	Seek digital support
platform	Seek digital support	Liaise directly with platform	platform
		Response strategy	



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YOUR CASE

