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Dear Mr Miezi

Application for a Variation in Licensed Activity

Thank you for submitting your application for a variation in licensed activity at:

Name of Venue: Afrolatino Restaurant
Address: 142 Roundhay Road, Leeds, LS8 5NA

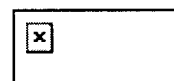
The application premises is situated at the end of a terrace which faces onto the busy Roundhay Road. The ground floor of the terrace are predominately commercial premises, however there are a number of residential flats on the upper floors. There are also residential properties on the nearby Spencer Place and above the commercial premises on the opposite side of Roundhay Road.

The ground floor of the application premises consists of a seating area and a small bar, while the upstairs consists of a dance floor and DJ booth. The applicant advises that the DJ's bring their own sound system, although there is a small permanent sound system to the ground floor.

The application premises is acoustically weak. There is no lobby to the main entrance and windows are single glazed. There are also holes in the structure due to a broken vent above the front door, a broken letter box, large gap underneath the front door, and a hole in the wall on the first floor.

The variation is to increase the hours of licensed activity; including live music, recorded music and the sale of alcohol etc, until 05.00 in the morning. Although Roundhay Road is busy during the day time and early evening, it is likely to be significantly quieter during the early hours of the morning. The proposals have the potential for the breakout of loud music and to increase the number of late night/early morning revellers in the area.

However, the applicant has advised that he has occupied the premises for eight years and operated occasional DJ music events throughout the night with the Temporary Event Notice system during this time. In addition, this Department has only received one previous complaint regarding loud music and the activity of patrons and that was some



years ago. Unfortunately, the lack of previous complaints can not negate the significant potential for public nuisance to noise sensitive occupants if this application is granted.

It is noted that the applicant has submitted steps that are intended to be taken to promote the prevention of public nuisance. The measures proposed would not seem to adequately control all the relevant issues. It is also unlikely that the applicant would be able to comply with appropriate conditions for the prevention of public nuisance.

Therefore, Leeds City Council's environmental action service is of the opinion that your application is likely to result in significant public nuisance in the area, and we regret to inform you that we are fully objecting to your application.

Yours sincerely

M Bird
Senior Environmental Health Officer

