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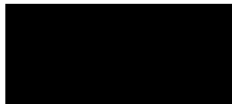
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16th July 2015

Mercourios Makrinakis



cc. Entertainment Licensing Section. Leeds City Council, Civic Hall, Leeds. LS1 1UR

RE: **LIVERA, 17, MERRION STREET, LEEDS, LS2 8JE**
APPLICATION FOR NEW PREMISES LICENCE – LICENSING ACT 2003:
POLICE OBJECTION - OUTRIGHT:

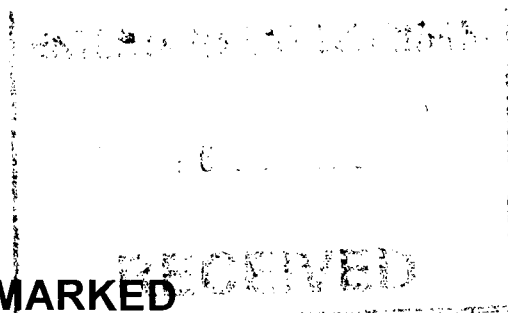
Thank you for submitting your application for the above premises, received at the address above on 22nd June 2015.

West Yorkshire Police object outright to your application for the following reasons:

- You are strongly suspected of being a 'front' for the owner of Clip News - [REDACTED] We are of this opinion because you were witnessed by a Council Licensing officer attending their offices with this gentleman, and your conversation was overheard. The conversation related to the police objection to premises to be known as Signorina, and a connection with [REDACTED] You were overheard offering to apply for him and saying the police would object if he applied.
- [REDACTED] was also seen by a Council officer attending their offices with a copy of the newspaper advert for your application.

Our objections to [REDACTED] remain the same:

- [REDACTED] runs Clip News, 17, Merrion Street



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- Clip News was visited recently by Trading Standards officers who found large amounts of illegal tobacco. The operator at that time told officers that he was applying for a premises licence for the shop but no application has ever been received.
- Two suspected Turkish males present on the premises at the time of this visit confronted the Trading Standards Officers and a scuffle broke out.

So, in terms of promoting the licensing objectives, this application falls very short of the mark.

There is a very strong suspicion that this application is made on behalf of the current owner of Clip News and is a deliberate attempt to hide this fact. You and [REDACTED] are aware that the police, and very probably Trading Standards, would object if he were to apply for a premises licence. You have therefore applied in a deliberate attempt to obtain a licence for a man who runs a shop with clear connections to illegal tobacco sales, and clear connections to violence offered towards officers from a Responsible Authority.

It is therefore in every respect that West Yorkshire Police object to this application and take the view that the Licensing Objectives would be seriously undermined if a premises licence were to be granted.

PC 5548 [REDACTED]
Leeds District Licensing Officer
West Yorkshire Police

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