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Licensing and Public Safety Department.

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Licensing Manager
Environment and Safety Directorate
Aquila House
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East Sussex
TN34 3UY

**RE: APPLICATION FOR TRANSFER OF PREMISES LICENCE AT
EROLS KEBAB AND STEAK HOUSE 194 QUEENS ROAD HASTINGS EAST SUSSEX. TN34 1RG
APPLICANT MR. CEYHUN VAROL**

NOTICE of OBJECTION under Section 42(6) of the Licensing Act 2003

Dear Mr. Brown

Notice is hereby given on behalf of the Chief Officer of Police for Sussex that the exceptional circumstances of this case are such that he considers that the granting of this application would undermine the crime prevention objective.

Erols Kebab is currently subject to Licence Review proceedings, which has been submitted by East Sussex Trading Standards and supported by Sussex Police. Evidence has been submitted in the Licence Review documentation which indicates the premises management have been responsible for the sale of counterfeit alcohol from the premises. Additionally, evidence provided by Sussex Police contends that there has been a) alcohol sold after the permitted hours, b) off-sales of alcohol have been made in contravention of the conditions on the licence and c) late night refreshment has been provided after the permitted hours. Mr Naki Kanik who is both the current Premises Licence Holder and Designated Premises Supervisor has been reported for these offences.

During interview with East Sussex Trading Standards Mr.Naki Kanik admitted that he had leased the premises to a limited company in February 2009, the company is solely owned by Mr. Ceyhun Varol. The Transfer Application seeks to formerly transfer the Premises Licence from Mr Kanik to Mr Varol.

Under Caution in interview with Trading Standards, Mr Kanik stated he did not care if he had a licence or not. This is as he has no input, and presumably takes no profit, from the business.

Sussex Police contend that the Application to Transfer the Premises Licence is an attempt to circumvent the Review process and an attempt to avoid any sanction which may be applied by the Licensing Committee.

Sussex Police also note that Mr. Varol is not currently the holder of a Personal Licence and no application for variation of the Premises Licence, relating to the Designated Premises Supervisor, has been received. Currently Mr. Naki Kanik remains as the Designated Premises Supervisor. Therefore, the management of the premises at the time of the offences and contraventions remains unchanged.

Sussex Police further contend that the above constitutes exceptional circumstances and therefore Sussex Police invite the committee to refuse the Application.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jean Irving', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Jean Irving
Force Licensing and Public Safety Manager