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Police Objection to a New Premises Licence application – SABA BANQUETING HALL, 1-2 COURT PARADE, EAST LANE, WEMBLEY, BRENT, HA0 3HY

I acknowledge receipt of an application for a new Premises Licence under section 17 of the Licensing Act 2003, for Saba Banqueting Hall, 1-2 Court Parade, East Lane, Wembley, Brent, HA0 3HY.

On behalf of the Commissioner of Police of the Metropolis, I wish to make a representation, as police believe the following objectives will be undermined, namely the Prevention of Crime and Disorder and the Prevention of Public Nuisance.

Under the previous tenant, the premises licence had lapsed and sometime late Mr Shams Sadat took over the premises with the intention to use for various functions and parties. However, there was some confusion on Mr Sadat's part regarding the licensable activity aspects, particularly around regulated entertainments, which led to notifications from the police and Council warnings relating to conducting licensable events without appropriate permissions (such as a premises licence or TEN).

Although he has not applied for regulated entertainment on this application, if the licence is granted with the sale or supply of alcohol, the venue could operate utilising regulated entertainment between the hours of 0800hrs and 2300hrs.

One area of contention over granting the licence is around the noise nuisance complaints from local residents. The application states that it will ""Ensure that any request by authorised officer of the Council relating to reducing noise levels will be complied with". This wording necessitates the Council requiring themselves to monitor the ongoing situation and request "post" the issue coming to notice. It would be far better to address this from the outset with a couple of sensible conditions relating to noise, as set out below. Obviously, the addition of alcohol sales could add to the issues of crime, ASB & noise, so it is important that all licensable activity is conducted behind closed doors due to the close proximity to residential dwellings.

In addition to the conditions offered in the application, I would ask the following be added/amended to ensure a more standardised, unambiguous conditions, such as those relating to CCTV.

If the following conditions were added or amended, I would withdraw police representations.

- 1) CCTV shall be installed to Home Office Guidance standards and maintained in a good working condition and recordings shall be kept for 31 days and shall be made available to police and authorised Officers from Brent Council.
- Substantial food and non-intoxicating beverages shall be available during the whole of licensed hours in all parts of the premises where intoxicants are provided.
- 3) Customers are not be allowed to sit, stand or be served from the bar area, or any other staff area used for the preparation of alcoholic beverages.
- 4) An incident log shall be kept at the premises, and made available for inspection on request to an authorised officer of Brent Council or the Police, which will record the following:
 - (a) all crimes reported to the venue
 - (b) all ejections of patrons
 - (c) any complaints received
 - (d) any incidents of disorder
 - (e) any faults in the CCTV system
 - (f) any refusal of the sale of alcohol
 - (g) any visit by a relevant authority or emergency service.
- 5) A copy of the premises licence summary including the hours which licensable activities are permitted shall be visible from the outside of each entrance to the premises.
- 6) A noise limiter set at a level agreed by Brent Council's Licensing Unit shall be used at all times.
- 7) The level of music shall be arranged so as not to cause a nuisance to local residents.

Yours Sincerely,

Gary Norton 2965NW Licensing Constable – Brent Police