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Dear Sir/Madam

## African Restaurant 346 East Street SE17 2SX

Police are in receipt of an application from the above for a New Premises Licence and have the following representation to make:

The applicant has applied for a New Premises Licence with extensive hours, particularly at weekends and has failed to address adequately the four main licensing objectives. The premises are located on a busy thoroughfare and within very close proximity of many dwellings and as a consequence additional control measures would be required to ensure that there would be no detrimental effect upon the local community and indicate that the management of the premises have given sufficient consideration to the four main licensing objectives.

If the permitted hours for the sale/supply of alcohol were to be increased as per the application, Police would like to see the following control measures placed on the Premises Licence:

- That SIA registered Door Supervisor, shall be employed at all times after 22.00hrs and the terminal hour that the premises are in use under this licence and provided with Hand held metal detection units in order to ensure that searches are carried out in respect of all admissions to the premises, whether members of the public or performers and their assistants and Mechanical counting devices to ensure that the maximum accommodation limit of the premises is not exceeded.
- 2. That signs shall be displayed in the entrance foyer to the premises that state 'Drugs Free Zone' and 'No Search No Entry, Management reserve the right to refuse entry'

- That all matters relating to drugs shall be in accordance with the Metropolitan Police Best Practice Guide on the handling of drugs in pubs and clubs
- That suitable notices shall be displayed and announcements made requesting people to leave the premises in a quiet and orderly manner so as not to disturb local residents
- 5. That a CCTV system be installed at the premises and be maintained in good working order and be continually recording at all times the premises are in use under the licence. The CCTV System must be capable of capturing an image of every person who enters the premises.
- That all CCTV footage shall be kept for a period of thirty one (31) days
   and shall, upon request, be made immediately available to Officers of
   the Police and the Council
- 7. That you shall require any regular and external promoters hiring the premises to complete the 'Venue Hire Agreement' provided by Southwark Council and, once completed, you shall ensure that a copy of the agreement is provided to the Police and Licensing Unit a minimum of fourteen days prior to the date of hire.
- That a Personal Licence holder is on the premises and on duty at all times that intoxicating liquor is supplied.
- That the Premises Licence holder and/or Designated Premises
   Supervisor join and support a local Pub Watch Scheme should there be
   one in existence for the area in which the premises is located.
- 10. Customers shall use no outside area after 22.00hrs other than those who temporarily leave the premises to smoke a cigarette. Those who do temporarily leave for this reason shall be the subjected to the requirement of a further search.

Police would be available should a conciliation meeting be arranged.

I respectfully submit this representation in order that it is given consideration by your Licensing Committee and would be obliged if you could acknowledge receipt.

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## MEMO: Environmental Protection Team

To Regen, Licensing Date 25th March 2009

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## Subject 346 East Street SE17 2SX our ref 350816

Thank you for referring the application to Environmental Protection Team.

I have reviewed the application and location and discussed the proposals with the applicant.

The premises is located in a terrace of shops with separate living accommodation above and faces parts of the residential Congreve Estate. Backhouse Place residential development is to the rear. The application, if granted, would permit live and recorded music and dancing on each Sunday to Wednesday until midnight and until 0300 the day following Thursday Friday & Saturday.

I am not satisfied that the prevention of public nuisance measures set out in the application are adequate to prevent music and people noise from becoming a public nuisance.

I understand the music and dancing will be confined to the basement area. This area will need to be sufficiently insulated to prevent sound escape and transmission both within the structure and to surrounding properties. This must include treatment to the rear windows and formation of a lobby since door marked 'emergency exit' will also serve as accees to the 2 WC's. The basement area will need to be equipped with extract/ intake ventilation which would need to be baffled. Until I have seen the technical details of sound insulation works, I can not a position to suggest whether a sound limiter installation would be essential.

I am concerned that lateness of the hours of opening until 0300 on Thursday > Saturday may not be able to be accommodated without giving rise to public nuisance and would suggest earlier curfew hours; however I would need to consider this in context of other responsible authority and local responses.

I do not accept that 'consumption of alcohol outside the premises only by smokers' would serve to prevent public nuisance, smokers should not be permitted to take drinks off the premises.

I therefore object to the application until these matters have been addressed by the applicant and her advisors.

Alan Blissett Principal Environmental Protection Officer