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Tiger Food and Wine,  
20 Lordship Lane,  
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N17 8NS.

Your ref:

Date: 18/05/2021

Our ref: WK/497638

Dear Sir,

**Re: Tobacco and Related Products Regulations 2016: The Standardised Packaging of Tobacco products Regulations 2015: The Licensing Act 2003:**

I write further to my visit to your shop premises trading as Tiger Food and Wine situated at 20 Lordship Lane, Tottenham, London N17 8NS on 30th April 2021.

During the visit quantities of tobacco products were seized, namely 1,780 cigarettes and 500g of hand rolling tobacco, of which 180 cigarettes and 500g (10 packets) of Golden Virginia were behind the counter in a box also containing cash. The remainder, a further 1600 cigarettes were found in a cupboard in the rear stockroom. These products did not carry the correct UK health warnings, were not Duty Paid and were not in standardised packaging as required for the UK market. These facts can constitute offences under the above mentioned legislation. Keeping tobacco on a Licensed Premises which is not Duty Paid can also be an offence under the Licensing Act 2003.

In accordance with your Licence Conditions, I require you to supply me with a memory stick or CD containing the CCTV footage covering the counter area and entrance to your shop for 30<sup>th</sup> April 2021 from 6AM-12:30pm inclusive which would show persons entering and leaving and any transactions made. Please notify me when this is available by Email or telephone and I can pick it up from your shop premises. I require this within 7 working days of the date of this letter.

Additionally, In order to complete my investigation I wish to put some questions to you as the Licensee and as I believe the owner of the business. When replying please ensure that this letter is answered by you and you sign and date it to approve its content.

Before I ask any questions I must caution you that is, **You do not have to say anything. But it may harm your defence if you do not mention when questioned something which you later rely on in Court. Anything you do say may be given in evidence. You are also advised that you may wish to seek legal advice or consult a solicitor before replying to this letter.**

1. Can you state your full name?

2. What is your date and place of birth?
3. What is your home address?
4. Were you the owner of Tiger Food and Wine. on 30<sup>th</sup> April 2021.
5. If you are the owner, do you trade as a sole trader a Partner or a Director of a Limited company?
6. If you are a partner what is the name and address of the other partners?
7. If you are trading as a Limited company what is the name of the company and are you a Director?
8. Would you agree you are active in the management of the business?
9. How long have you been trading as Tiger Food and Wine.
10. Do you agree that you had tobacco which was not Duty paid and not packaged in UK standardised packaging in your shop on 30<sup>th</sup> April 2021?
11. How much were you selling these tobacco products for?
12. Where did you buy these tobacco products?
13. Do you have any invoices for them? If yes, please enclose a copy with your reply?
14. Do you know it is illegal to sell tobacco and alcohol and alcohol without payment of UK Duty?
15. Do you know it is illegal to sell tobacco in the UK in non-standardised packaging?
16. Do you know it is illegal to sell tobacco without UK approved health warnings?
17. Do you agree the cash which was seen next to the cigarettes behind the counter is the proceeds for the sale of illegal cigarettes?
18. Do you know it is an offence under the Licensing Act 2003 to keep non Duty Paid tobacco and alcohol on a Licenced Premises?
19. How much time do you spend at the business in an average week?
20. Do you have anything you would like to say in respect of the non Duty Paid tobacco found at the Licensed Premises?
21. On the premises I also noticed large stocks of Polish beers in the store room. Where did you buy these beers from.
22. Please produce copies of invoices relating for all the Polish beers you have bought in the last 6 months namely, Perla (green)Perla (Black) Zwiec and Zubr. If you do not have invoices please explain why?
23. Is there anything you want to say in respect of this matter or to clarify anything you have already said in this letter in response to other questions?

I would be grateful if you could respond to my questions within 14 days so that I can complete my investigation. Please respond by post and sign and date your reply. Please also provide a copy of your response by E Mail to [Michael.squire@haringey.gov.uk](mailto:Michael.squire@haringey.gov.uk) which will assist me.

I thank you for your attention.

Yours faithfully



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