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Dear Sir or Madam

TSG Spencer Streets supports the application for authorisation.

As a retailer we are directly affected by other retailers who are involved in selling illicit tobacco products without facing consequences.

Steadily increasing prices drive consumers to more affordable products. Illicit tobacco is significantly cheaper than legal tobacco products. The availability of illicit tobacco in our area causes problems as we lose customers who choose to buy such products.

We see the application as a benefit as it will enable the suppliers to limit the availability of illicit tobacco within the industry specially within the tobacconist channel. Retailers who will be banned from supply will quickly be isolated as they lose the goodwill of their business. Currently it seems that there are no / few consequences for retailers selling illicit tobacco. If this application is successful we anticipate real change which will ultimately benefit us a legitimate retailers doing the right thing.

Yours sincerely

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