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The Secretary, Environment and Planning Review Tribunal PO Box 172 Marsa



Dear Sir

Re: PA 1184/20 - Site at Misrah ir-Repubblika, Valletta

On behalf of our client, Edward Camilleri (ID 88566 M) in representation of S. Camilleri Caterers Ltd. (C9217) we are hereby appealing against the approval of the above development application dated 14th May 2020 as per attached copy. Mr. Camilleri is a registered objector.

My client has objected to the drawings submitted by the applicant, the Lands Authority, because they show a specific type of umbrella/ canopy that is currently being used by one particular catering establishment that has tables and chairs in Misrah ir-Repubblika.

These umbrellas are impractical due to their being unusable during breezy and/ or windy conditions. Furthermore since these need to be used in clusters of 3 or 4, gaps are created in which sun rays, or conversely rain, filters through to the tables underneath thus being less effective than the type of umbrellas/canopies used by our client as indicated in the drawings of their approved permit (PA 3668/17).

The approval of the above application is tantamount to appellant being forced to change the umbrellas/canopies that he currently has and that were approved by a previous permit as indicated above.

Canopies and umbrellas are a major investment in the use of open air spaces for catering and my client expected that he would be able to use them for a long enough period that would allow him to recover his investment. The approval of the said permit will therefore lead to appellant's suffering a lot of unnecessary expenses.

The approved permit should therefore be withdrawn.

Yours faithfully,

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