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Justice Alan Wilson  
Chairperson  
Department of Justice and Attorney-General  
Taskforce into Organised Crime Legislation 2015  
PO Box 15167  
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Dear Justice Wilson

### SUBMISSION TO THE TASKFORCE INTO ORGANISED CRIME LEGISLATION 2015

Firstly, I would like to apologise for my late submission regarding the review currently being undertaken by the taskforce.

I am hoping you will give consideration to the issues raised in my submission many of which have been relayed to me first hand as the Divisional Councillor for Broadbeach which is well documented as experiencing the brunt of impropriety by motorcycle gangs in this city.

It goes without saying that prior to the introduction of this new legislation, their activities had a significant impact on the city's reputation as a safe and friendly place to live, operate a business and as an enjoyable holiday destination.

This situation was exacerbated almost daily by the media whose attention was focussed on these unlawful activities often resulting in high levels of frustration within our community, the Queensland Police Service and our business and tourist operators.

From my perspective, all of these parties have enthusiastically welcomed the new legislation which has given rise to a more positive outlook and a growing confidence because these unlawful activities can now be contained.

As a member of the community which has previously been adversely affected by the endeavours of motorcycle gangs, I am humbly appealing to your judgement to retain the existing VLAD laws.

Yours sincerely

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Chair City Infrastructure & Water Committee  
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