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Attn: The Commissioner

Re: Proposed BDR Checks in the Barkley.

Dear Sir/Madam

As a resident of the Northern Territory for fifty five years, fifteen of them in the Liquor industry as a Licensee or as a wholesaler, I would like to comment on the proposed BDR checks to prospective bar patrons in the Barkley region.

Only recently I drove to and from Alice Springs stopping in Tennant Creek and of course Alice Springs for a few days and from what I observed it would appear that the majority of the residents in these places are controlled by one thing and one thing only, Bottle Shop and Hotel opening hours.

Something has to be implemented forthwith as the economic and damage to health is costing Territory taxpayers billions.

It is indeed ironic that the alcohol is funded indirectly by the taxpayer via Centrelink and the same taxpayer then has to fork out again for an air ambulance, hospitalisation, repatriation and all other costs, not to mention the Police and the Justice system.

I do not comprehend the Politics or the Cultures of Aboriginals but I am certain that if consulted properly, they will concur with any measures put in place to preserve their race from oblivion.

Yours sincerely

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