

**CERTIFICATION UNDER SECTION 17(2)(a1) OF THE *GAMING AND LIQUOR
ADMINISTRATION ACT 2007***

On 17 October 2022, the NSW Independent Casino Commission ('the NICC') issued The Star Pty Ltd ('The Star') with a notice of disciplinary action pursuant to section 23(4) of the *Casino Control Act 1992* ('the Act') ('Notice of Disciplinary Action'). By way of the Notice of Disciplinary Action, the NICC suspended The Star's casino licence pursuant to section 23(1)(a) of the Act and imposed a pecuniary penalty of \$100 million pursuant to section 23(1)(b) of the Act.

Consequent to the suspension of The Star's casino licence, the NICC appointed a manager pursuant to section 28 of the Act, on the terms of a Deed of Appointment dated 17 October 2022 ('Deed of Appointment').

Also on 17 October 2022, the NICC sent The Star a letter regarding the manager, requirements for The Star to cooperate with the manager and the payment of net earnings of the casino operations to The Star subject to a number of conditions. On 19 October 2022, The Star returned a signed copy of this letter to the NICC, confirming its agreement to the matters set out in the letter ('Signed Side Letter').

The NICC considers that the publication of the Notice of Disciplinary Action, the Deed of Appointment and the Signed Side Letter is appropriate in the exercise of its functions under the Act.

For the avoidance of doubt, and to the extent necessary, the NICC hereby certifies pursuant to section 17(2)(a1) of the *Gaming and Liquor Administration Act 2007* that it is necessary in the public interest that the Notice of Disciplinary Action, the Deed of Appointment and the Letter to The Star be divulged to the community at large.

This certification has been made by the NICC, on the papers, pursuant to clause 17(1) of Schedule 1 to the *Casino Control Act 1992*.

Philip Crawford
Chief Commissioner
For and on behalf of the **NSW Independent Casino Commission**

Dated: 19 October 2022