

**THE KERZNER CERTIFICATE OF CONSENT APPLICATION – NOTE OF A MEETING  
AT THE DCMS ON FRIDAY 12 SEPTEMBER 2003**

At the request of [REDACTED] I attended a meeting on the morning of 12 September 2003 with [REDACTED] [REDACTED] of the Office of the Deputy Prime Minister (ODPM) and [REDACTED] of the Dome Policy Division. The meeting had been requested by the ODPM to discuss the involvement of the Kerzner Organisation in the development of the Dome by Anschutz Entertainment USA (AEG). I was aware of the background to the ODPM concerns which are about the presentational aspects of the involvement of Kerzner with Anshautz Entertainment; [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] set out the expected timescale for legislation; suggesting that the Gambling Commission would be up and running by early to mid-2006. I explained the general casino licensing procedures in some detail and said that we had only recently started out investigations of Kerzner and therefore were not in a position to comment. I took the opportunity to confirm that the ODPM had no specific evidence about possible wrong doing by the Kerzner organisation; they were only concerned about presentation. [REDACTED] said that he was reassured by the depth of detail of the enquiries I had described and would report back accordingly. I agreed to keep the ODPM's office informed of any major developments, particularly of when we were likely to be in a position to decide the application. [REDACTED] requested that this was done via himself.

[REDACTED]  
15 September 2003







