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1. Advice to police services published

The Commission has published a reference document for British police services with regard to their role and functions in the regulation of the gambling industry.

2. Gaming machines seized in Liverpool and Wirral

A multi-agency operation involving the Commission led to five gaming machines being removed from four premises in Merseyside on 5 March 2009.

The machines were confiscated from two premises in Liverpool and two premises in Wirral by HM Revenue & Customs, who are continuing their enquiries into the non payment of Amusement Machine Licence Duty on the machines.

3. Reminder to licensing authorities to complete and send in your quarterly returns

The Commission needs all licensing authorities to complete quarterly returns detailing their use of permits, temporary and occasional use notices, premises inspections, and the reasons for and outcomes of reviews. Send your information for the quarter 1 January 2009 – 31 March 2009 to us no later than 31 April 2009.

If you have no activity to report, please submit a return stating this.

Download and complete the returns templates with your information and email it to localauthorityreturns@gamblingcommission.gov.uk.

4. British panel of experts to advise on future gaming machines research

The Commission has now assembled a British panel of experts to complement the international panel to advise on future research into high-stake, high-prize gaming machines.

The British panel will meet with the Commission in the coming months and will have an important role to play in reviewing the evidence and advice of the international panel and ensuring its relevance in the British context.

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