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Sent via email.

Copies: Shooting Australia, Australian Clay Target Association, Queensland Clay Target Association, State Councilors

Dear Brian,

On behalf of the Board of Brisbane Gun Club, I write to correct a gross inaccuracy and misrepresentation of BGC expressed in a letter in your name to the CEO of Shooting Australia dated 14 July 2016.

In that letter you stated that the QCTA was disadvantaged by restricted access to ISSF facilities because the primary ISSF venue (namely BGC) is "protesting the current selection policy of Shooting Australia by electing not to host Australia Cups or other endorsed events on their grounds".

This statement is unequivocally untrue, has no basis in fact and is totally repudiated by the Board of Brisbane Gun Club.

It is disappointing and unprofessional for an organisation of the standing of the QCTA to attribute such a position to BGC in the absence of any official supporting minute or correspondence and without any attempt to check the veracity of a statement of such gravity.

It is important for the entire clay target shooting community to understand that the 2015 State ISSF Championships were not held at BGC because the QCTA declined to accept or even negotiate BGC's fair and reasonable financial conditions. It was the QCTA's decision to withdraw the event in spite of the clear obligations to facilitate competition which are expressed in the Funding Deed of Grant between the QCTA and the Department of National Parks, Recreation, Sport and Racing.

BGC stands ready and willing to enthusiastically host the next State ISSF Championships and we will soon submit our offer for this and other events in line with the process stipulated by the QCTA.

BGC proudly hosted a highly successful 2016 ISSF National Championships in January, endorsed and hosted Australia Cups in 2015 and continues to host one of the longest running and most successful international ISSF events in Australia, the Australasian Pacific Grand Prix.

BGC enthusiastically supports Shooting Australia's decision to build participation by moving away from Australia Cups and instead endorse major state events. We support any action

that will improve participation in clay target shooting generally and we see this action by Shooting Australia as an important step to promote a more visible high performance pathway.

We hope that this letter clarifies BGC's position and eradicates the lies being perpetrated by a destructive minority.

We look forward to working with Shooting Australia on future endorsed events, the ACTA on future ISSF Nationals and we look forward to amicable discussions with the QCTA on hosting the next Queensland ISSF Championships.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of a series of loops and a long horizontal tail extending to the right.

On behalf of  
Barry Knight,  
President, Brisbane Gun Club.