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Ms Melina Demasi Coroner's Registrar Coroners Court of Victoria Level 11, 222 Exhibition Street MELBOURNE VIC 3000

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Dear Ms Demasi

FINDING INTO DEATH WITHOUT INQUEST - MR GARNI SULEMANI

Thank-you-for your letter dated 30 May 2011, regarding the Coroner's recommendations arising from the death of Mr Garni Sulemani.

The Victorian Motorcycle Advisory Council held its final meeting in March 2011. VicRoads will form a new motorcycle advisory group in the second half of 2011. The new group will provide advice to VicRoads, rather than to the Government, on all relevant motorcycle issues. As such, it will be able to provide advice to VicRoads on off-road issues within VicRoads' responsibility.

VicRoads will be able to form sub committees to address specific issues as they arise. However, the group's role is purely advisory and it will not be in a position to develop strategies as you recommend. These would be the responsibility of each relevant agency.

In response to the Victorian Auditor-General's report, VicRoads is working with other agencies to clarify the scope of off-road issues and to determine any changes required to statutory obligations in this area. As you acknowledge, off-road motorcycling is a diverse activity. This work will therefore recognise the diversity of situations that are covered by the broad term 'off-road'.

The responsible officer to progress this matter is Mr James Holgate, Director – Road User Safety. Mr Holgate can be contacted at james.holgate@roads.vic.gov.au or on Tel: 9854 2550, should you wish to discuss this matter.

Yours sincerely

GARY LIDDLE
CHIEF EXECUTIVE

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