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**FLA Chairman requests MOCA investigation; Deputy  
Chairman recuses himself**

The Chairman of the Firearm Licensing Authority Dennis Wright has asked the Major Organised Crime and Anti-Corruption Agency, MOCA, to initiate an investigation into innuendos being made against the Deputy Chairman, Dennis Meadows regarding operations at the FLA.

Mr. Wright has also asked MOCA to investigate any approval of firearm licences which may be considered suspicious prior to 2016.

The FLA Chairman has also received a letter from Mr. Meadows in which he has immediately recused himself as deputy chairman of the Board while the investigation is being carried out.

Mr. Wright has advised National Security Minister, Hon. Robert Montague of the latest developments.

The Board made the decision to request the MOCA probe based on certain accusations in the public arena.

Mr. Meadows says he welcomes any investigation as it will protect not only his integrity, and that of the FLA, but to also clear his name.

Mr. Meadows told the Board he is the target of a smear campaign, and is confident that at the end of the investigation, his integrity will remain intact.

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