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Fair Trading Act 1999

INTERIM BAN ORDER PROHIBITING THE SUPPLY OF DANGEROUS GOODS

I, Tony Robinson, Minister for Consumer Affairs, pursuant to the powers conferred on me by Part 3 Division 1 of the **Fair Trading Act 1999**, hereby make an interim ban order ('the order') prohibiting the supply in Victoria of goods ('the goods') of the kind specified in Schedule 1, as defined in the Schedule 2 of the order.

Schedule 1

For the purposes of this order, 'the goods' means novelty lighters.

Schedule 2

For the purpose of this order, a novelty lighter is defined as:

a device typically used for igniting or lighting of cigarettes, cigars or pipes that has a toy-like appearance, has entertaining audio or visual effects, or resembles in any form or function an item that is commonly recognised as appealing, attractive, or intended for use by children under five years of age, including such a device that takes toy-like physical forms, including toy animals, cartoon characters, cars, boats, airplanes, common household items, weapons, cell phones, batteries, food, beverages, musical instruments, and watches, whether or not the device includes a child resistant feature.

I make this order under section 35(2) of the **Fair Trading Act 1999** on the recommendation of Claire Noone, Director of Consumer Affairs Victoria, and because the goods appear to me to be dangerous.

Dated 31 August 2009

TONY ROBINSON MP
Minister for Consumer Affairs

Explanatory Note

This interim order prohibits the supply of novelty lighters that can be easily mistaken by children under five years of age as children's toys or as common household items.

The purpose of the order is to reduce the risk of serious injuries caused by children under five years of age playing with novelty lighters.

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