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The Arabian Horse Society of Australia Ltd  
PO Box 415  
RICHMOND NSW 2753

Dear Sir/Madam

**RE: OPEN LETTER TO MEMBERS**

We write this letter to the Arabian Horse Society of Australia Ltd ("the Society") with the intention that it will be published and made available to all members of the Society.

**Member Disputes**

Recently, disputes of a personal nature between the Society's members have been referred to the Society in the hope that the Society would take some form of action against individual members. Generally speaking, these disputes have had no direct link with or effect on the Society and its business.

The Society cannot adjudicate disputes between its members that are matters between individuals. The Society's primary function is to act as a Registry for its members and it is not here to adjudicate disputes of a personal nature.

The Society will only become involved in matters that directly affect the Society and its core business interests and purposes.

The Society's Board wishes to make clear that it will not become involved in disputes of a personal nature, and asks that its members do not refer such disputes to the Board. These disputes should be resolved through other avenues.

**Role of the Board of Directors**

In accordance with the Society's Articles of Association, *the management of the business and the control of the finances and affairs of the Society shall be vested in the Board.*

The Directors who have been appointed to the Society's Board of Directors ("the Board") have been elected by the members in accordance with those same Articles. The power to make decisions or take certain actions is vested in the Board to allow for the proper management and conduct of the Society's affairs.

The Board is not required to consult with the Society's members every time that a decision is made as this would render the Board inefficient and

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restrict the Board's ability to effectively manage and control the Society's affairs.

There are particular requirements for the Board to maintain records of decisions that have been made or actions that have been taken to allow for transparency in its management of the Society's affairs.

Yours faithfully  
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