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Dear Mr Evgeniou

Thank you for your email of 18 January 2016 to the Hon Niall Blair MLC, Minister for Primary Industries and Minister for Lands and Water objecting to the sale of Crown land at Sofala. The Minister has asked me to respond to you on his behalf.

The Department of Primary Industries (DPI) – Lands acknowledges your concerns regarding on-going public use of the site and these concerns will be taken into account.

The property has been marketed for expressions of interest only. The property is not "under offer" or "under contract". An Expression of Interest was marketed by Raine & Horne Bathurst on 2 December 2015 and closed on 22 January 2016.

DPI - Lands will review all expressions of interests in February 2016 taking into account the nature of each offer and impacts on all stakeholders and specifically any impacts on public access. A decision to proceed with the sale of any part of Lot 7310 will not be made until the review is completed.

Any sale of Crown land will be undertaken in accordance with the *Crown Lands Act 1989* and the objectives of the Crown Lands Management Review.

I have asked that David Baber, Projects Manager Regional Projects West, be available to discuss the matter further with you. Mr Baber can be contacted on (02) 6883 3326 or 0427 629 288 or by email at david.baber@crowmland.nsw.gov.au

Thank you for bringing this matter to the NSW Government's attention.

Yours sincerely

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