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SUBJECT: Vektor H5 Rifle.

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1. This report deals with the Vektor H5 Rifle and it's current categorisation as a Cat B firearm.

Background

2. I have been recently dealing with a Mr Tim Powell, and his application for an import permit for the Crugir Oze Hunter pump action rifle. This rifle is subject to reports by Australian Customs Service and the Australian Federal Police.
3. The rifle on first appearances has similarities to a number of category D and R firearms. It is on these grounds that, ballistics is examining reports by AFP to categorise the firearm under QLD legislation.
4. Mr Powell has sent an email to me inquiring as to his import permit. In the email he has brought my attention to the Vektor H5 rifle saying that it is near identical in design, function and appearance as the Oze Hunter. He further claims that the Vektor H5 has been through QPS ballistics examination and released in Qld for sale. I have confirmed this by locating a copy of the ballistics report on a Vektor H5 rifle made by now Inspector Michael Keller formally of the ballistics unit. I have attached a copy of this report as Appendix 1.

Inquiries

5. I have made some initial inquiries about the Vektor H5 rifle and found that it was produced in South Africa and based on

the Israel Military Industries Galil rifle. The Galil rifle itself is based on the Valmet assault rifle, which is a licensed clone of the AK-47 made in Finland.

6. The Vektor H5 is based on an assault rifle capable of firing on full-auto, the IMI Galil, and has similarities in its appearance to the IMI Galil. The Galil was produced in a number of different models all with a folding stock. In order to make it a more acceptable looking firearm for civilian release, the folding stock was replaced by a wooden thumbhole stock. I have read reference to this on the internet siting that this modification was made purely to make the firearm fit local firearm laws.
7. There are 38 Vektor H5 rifles registered on the WA system. Some of the records are slightly inaccurate in their recording of this particular firearm. There are 25 still in possession of licence holders in Qld, 10 have gone out of state, 2 have been stolen and one is at the QPS ballistics unit.
8. I recommend that the Vektor H5 rifle be examined by QPS ballistics with the above information as further reference, to ascertain if it remains a Cat B firearm or it needs to be altered.
9. I have printed out copies of the web sites that I obtained some of this information from.

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