

Re: SSD- 29508870-Birriwa Solar Farm

☒ I declare I have not made any reportable political donations in the last two years.

☒ I acknowledge and accept the Department of Planning and Environment's disclaimer and declaration

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I OBJECT to [REDACTED] the Birriwa Solar Farm for the following reasons:

1. LONG TERM LOSS OF VALUABLE FARMING AND GRAZING LAND FOR RELATIVELY SHORT TERM OF SOLAR FARM PRODUCTION - IE 20-25 YEARS.
2. ECONOMIC LOSS TO COMMUNITY. THIS MEANS NO RURAL INPUT COSTS OR PROFITS FROM AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTIVITY SPENT IN THE COMMUNITY.
3. DECREASE IN VALUE OF SURROUNDING FARMING AND GRAZING PROPERTIES

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global food prices soared in some of the world's poorest countries, exacerbating famine and death.

The five-month war in Ukraine has fought across one of the world's most fertile regions, one of the world's biggest producers.

Up to 25 million tonnes of grain and other grain has been blocked in Ukrainian ports by Russian warships and mines that Kyiv has to avert a feared amphibious assault.

Ukrainian foreign ministry spokesman Oleg Nikolenko said Kyiv's delegation would accept solutions that guarantee the security of its eastern regions, the position of its forces in the Black Sea

and the safe export of its agricultural products.

The US welcomed the deal but urged Russia to implement it in good faith.

"We should never have been in this position in the first place," said State Department spokesman Ned Price, accusing Russia of "weaponising" food.

In more good news for global markets, Russia restored critical gas supplies to Europe through Germany via the Nord Stream pipeline after 10 days of maintenance.

However, suspicion lingered that the Kremlin would trigger an energy crisis on the continent this winter.

EU states have accused Russia of squeezing supplies

in retaliation for Western sanctions due to the war.

The resumption of gas supplies came a day after the European Commission unveiled emergency measures to circumvent Russian energy "blackmail".

On the war front, prosecutors in Kharkiv said three people had been killed and 23 more injured in a Russian missile strike.

"The enemy is firing chaotically and brutally at the city. Stay in shelters!" regional governor Oleg Synehubov wrote on social media.

Some 15,000 Russians have died in the invasion, the US and British spy chiefs said, as they assessed that President Vladimir Putin was suf-

fering far greater human and materiel losses than

Richard Moore, of Britain's M16 in service, said 15,000 "probably a conservative" and marked bloody nose" for Putin had expected a quick

Russia became a country to announce supporting military supply artillery, "hundreds and hundreds more weapons" for Ukraine coming weeks.

Russia said it would no longer be focused on wresting control of Ukraine regions of and Donetsk, which been partially controlled by pro-Moscow rebels for

## CARAGUA

with and placed in pre-detention for 90 days specified charges. This after raids on the homes of the paper's journalists and photographers.

Juan Lorenzo Holguin was arrested in August, a day after police raided the newspaper's offices. Holguin is serving a nine-month sentence after being found guilty of "money laundering", which his supporters trumped-up charge.

## SOLAR PANEL POLLUTION

LOS ANGELES: California is grappling with what to do with millions of solar panels that are being dumped in landfill sites as they reach the end of their life cycle.

Over the past two decades, more than 13 million homeowners and builders have taken advantage of financial incentives to install solar panels on their rooftops.

But defunct panels are now starting to pile up as landfill, raising fears they will con-

taminate groundwater with toxic metals such as lead, selenium and cadmium.

Sam Vanderhoof, a solar industry expert and chief executive of Recycle PV Solar, told the Los Angeles Times that only 10 per cent of panels were recycled because the process is expensive and time-consuming.

"The industry is supposed to be green," Mr Vanderhoof said. "But in reality, it's all about the money."

## PANAMA

PANAMA CITY: The Panamanian government is facing a fresh round of protests as it ends more than two years of cost-of-living protests that have interrupted flights and harmed the economy.

Angry protesters demanding lower fuel, food and medicine prices have blocked Pan-American Highway and other major roads and burning tyres have clashed with police.

On Sunday, the

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