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Dear Sir/Madam

Department of Planning
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Scanning Room

Re: State Significant Development Application for Sydney
International Convention, Exhibition and Entertainment Precinct
(SSD 5752)

As owners of Lot 582, Unit 1416, Strata Plan 50946 known as the Goldsbrough at 243 Pyrmont Street, Pyrmont we strongly object to the proposed Darling Harbour redevelopment for the following reasons:

- The proposed height of the new Convention Centre is 47 m which will greatly affect the views from the Goldsbrough.
- We do not want to see another 'Surfers Paradise' like development where the waterfront (which everyone should be able to view and enjoy) has been ruined by the high rise buildings lining it. It is visually one of the most unattractive areas in Australia.
- Because of their height the proposed Convention Centre and hotel complex will significantly reduce sun and natural light to units facing east in the Goldsbrough.
- The proposed hotel is not included in the present Development Application. It will also have a negative visual impact on the Darling Harbour precinct because, due to the narrowness of the land it is proposed to be built on, it will also stand tall and clash with the adjoining landscape.

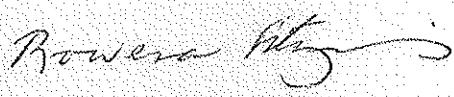
One of the greatest attractions of Darling Harbour, as it is now, is its low rise ambience which harmonises with the relaxing, flowing feel of the waterways.

Like many cities Sydney has an abundance of high rise buildings. The current Darling Harbour precinct is one of the few areas in the CBD not swamped by high rise buildings. (You can actually still sit in sunshine and not be blown down the wind tunnels created by the tall buildings). It would be refreshing to see that a state Planning Department has the courage to keep this unique area. It would appear that many leading architectural firms feel the same.

Yours faithfully



Tony Fitzsimmons



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