

**IN THE MATTER OF** The Private Security Personnel and  
Private Investigators Act 2010

**AND**

**IN THE MATTER OF** A complaint made under s 73 & 74 of  
the Private Security Personnel and  
Private Investigators Act 2010

**AGAINST**

**LEVI MENZIES & PRIME FOCUS  
SECURITY**

Respondents

**DECISION**

[1] In January 2020 a complaint was filed that Prime Focus Security was operating as a security business without having the appropriate licence or approval. Prime Focus was being run by Levi Menzies who at the time held a certificate of approval but neither he nor Prime Focus held a licence allowing them to operate a security business.

[2] I accordingly referred the complaint to the Complaints, Investigation and Prosecution Unit (CIPU) for investigation and potential prosecution. CIPU have completed their investigation and concluded that at the time the complaint was made Mr Menzies was trading as Prime Focus Security without holding the required licence. This is an offence under the Act and amounts to misconduct.

[3] After receiving the complaint Mr Menzies applied for and was granted an individual licence. Prime Focus Security was incorporated as a company in May 2020 and has subsequently been granted a company licence in the classes of crowd controller, property guard, personal guard and document destruction agent.

[4] In the circumstances CIPU have recommended that the appropriate outcome is for a warning to be given to Mr Menzies. I agree with this conclusion and the complaint is accordingly closed.

[5] Mr Menzies is however advised that if he again works outside the terms of his company licence or breaches the condition of his, or his company's, licence disciplinary action is likely to be taken against him and his licence could be cancelled.

**DATED** at Wellington this 26<sup>th</sup> day of November 2020

  
P A McConnell  
Private Security Personnel Licensing Authority

