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Dear Sir

For the second time in as many months the public has been given twenty-eight days to lodge objections to the rezoning of land along Dick Ward Drive in Coconut Grove and Ludmilla.

Meanwhile I have been belatedly advised that the earth stockpile beside Minmarama Village is contrary to the zoning of the Kulaluk lease. However, one point that has been overlooked is that in the past six months extensive filling and levelling has been conducted in an area adjoining the earth stockpile and Dick Ward Drive, presumably in anticipation of the area being zoned for light industry. I observed the foresaid earthworks taking place in full view of commuter traffic. In fact I was told by a certain Minister who makes himself available to his constituents on market days that the area in question on the Kulaluk lease had already been rezoned for light industry. This turned out to be incorrect. What seems to have happened is that the leaseholders in partnership with certain developers were given the nod to begin preparing the site on the northern side of Dick Ward Drive before the approval process was begun, or, even more likely, no one saw the need to gain approval until Barry Doyle began asking questions. As 'The Good Oil' says, there is a 'spreading stench' about the whole affair that implicates politicians of both persuasions and that only a full and open inquiry can resolve.

Yours sincerely

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