

Mohawk cigarette business stayed open after tax deal nixed

QUEBEC (CP) - A Kahnawake cigarette-dealer who had a secret tax deal with Quebec was able to continue selling tobacco after his tax permit was revoked because officials issued a new permit to his wife.

The Revenue Department broke off the special tax deal with Byron Horne last August because of unpaid taxes.

But documents obtained by The Montreal Gazette, under Quebec's access to

information law, show government officials approved a new certificate for Horne's wife, Coreen Meloche-Horne, two months later.

Club Rez Inc., Byron Horne's company, was at the centre of a controversy in June. The Opposition Liberals revealed the Revenue Department had signed a confidential deal with Horne that allowed him to pay

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