

City of Miami Beach  
1700 Convention Centre Drive  
Miami Beach, FL 33140  
United States

May 8, 2017

Dear Mayors Phillip Levine, Tomas Regalado, and respective Commissioners:

We are hereby writing to voice Art Basel's strong opposition to the establishment of casino gambling, slots and table games in the city of Miami Beach. We are also opposed to the expansion of casino gambling, slots and table games in the city of Miami as well.

Art Basel is immensely proud to have been a part of the growth of the cultural infrastructure in South Florida since the founding of our show in 2002 - the most prestigious of its kind in the hemisphere, now estimated to be generating approximately \$500 million in economic impact annually. We feel the introduction and expansion of the aforementioned practices into these communities has the potential to undermine this very infrastructure, jeopardizing the renaissance that constitutes the bedrock of "Art Basel week" each December.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter.

Best regards,



Marc Spiegler  
Global Director



Noah Horowitz  
Director Americas