

Mrs Paule Ripley

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**GOSPORT WAR MEMORIAL HOSPITAL**

Thank you for your recent letter which I received on 4 September 2002. I have now received a report from the Head of London Division 2 of the Crown Prosecution Service Casework Directorate.

The Crown Prosecution Service have not to date received any papers from the police relating to the hospital treatment of your husband. The police did submit papers to the Crown Prosecution Service last year but these were in respect of a separate matter which had arisen at the hospital.

I understand that the Hampshire Constabulary are preparing papers which they will submit for consideration by the Crown Prosecution Service in the very near future.

Obviously it is not possible at this stage to comment on the nature of the papers which the police propose to submit or the extent to which they will contain sufficient evidence upon which any decision to prosecute can be made.

Once papers have been received by the Crown Prosecution Service they will be reviewed immediately and hopefully matters will become clearer.