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Dear All

As you know the police have been discussing the case with the local CCP (Nick Hawkins). I have had a frank exchange of words with him and have assured him that he will be notified of the press and V&W strategy once it is in place. The ACC also called me under the misapprehension that Nick would be explaining our decision locally. I said that this was not the case at all — that the decision is ours to explain. However, we ought to be alive to the fact that Nick will need to be aware of the decision to assist him if anything is made of the decision locally. I have no idea whether you might want to consider inviting Nick Hawkins to your conference on the basis that he is an observer only and leave it to you to decide. It would probably do our reputation some good to be seen to be inclusive with Areas.

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