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Paul

I've had the email below from the BBC. They want to know if it's accurate in relation to Gosport War Memorial Hospital. It doesn't look accurate to me and I need to let them know the correct position. Can you help please?

I have tried to explain to them that we haven't received 90 files but it doesn't seem to get through.

Best wishes

Julie

*Last year, the Police gave the CPS files on 90 deaths at Gosport War Memorial Hospital, not 28 as reported in the Portsmouth News.

*The CPS has been looking at all 90 files so that they can decide if there is enough evidence to prosecute anyone.

*The CPS hasnt made any decisions about any of these cases.

*Yesterday the police announced, independently of the CPS, that they were going to concentrate their investigation on 10 of these cases.

*The Police said they were satisfied that there was no criminal negligence in the other 80 cases.

*That decision was taken by the Police and not the CPS - as the CPS has not made any decisions on any of these cases.

*The CPS did not advise the police to take this course of action.

*Discussions between the Police and the CPS about this case have been going on for two and a half years.

*A decision on any criminal prosecution(s) arising from this investigation will be made by the CPS within a month - ie by August 12th 2006.