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7 April 2011

Dear Madam

Gladys Richards: Inquest

I consider that I am now in possession of sufficient evidence to enable me to proceed with an Inquest into the death of Mrs Richards. I enclose a copy of a list of the persons I intend to call to give me evidence at the Inquest. You will note that I intend to call Professor D A Black as an independent expert witness to give me his opinions on the medical care Mrs Richards received prior to her death. I shall forward a copy of his report to you or your legal representative prior to the meeting referred to below.

Before I arrange a hearing date, I propose to hold a meeting for persons properly interested in the Inquest so that I can explain what I consider to be the issues for the Inquest to consider and discuss other matters relevant to the Inquest. This meeting will be held at this office on Wednesday 12 May 2011 at 11.00 am. As a person whom I consider to be properly interested in this Inquest, you or your legal representative are invited to attend this meeting.

It would assist me greatly if you could within the next seven days confirm if you or your legal representative intends to be present at the meeting. If your legal representative will be attending, please confirm their identity to me.

Yours faithfully

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INQUEST – GLADYS RICHARDS

Provisional Witness List

- 1) Mrs Gillian M Mackenzie/Mrs Lesley O'Brien
- 2) Professor David A Black – Consultant Physician (Geriatric Medicine)
- 3) Dr Jane Barton
- 4) Philip Beed – Clinical Manager
- 5) Margaret Couchman - Staff Nurse
- 6) Christine Joice – Staff Nurse
- 7) Dr R I Reid – Consultant Geriatrician