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Detective Inspector N. Niven, Western Area Headquarters, 12-18 Hulse Road, Southampton SO15 2JX

Dear Det. Inspector Niven,

I am appalled that after a 2½-year investigation into the Gosport War Memorial Hospital by so-called experts I should receive the enclosed Expert Review into the death of my mother, Mrs. Dulcie Middleton. I would call it a summary of her last month in hospital, when she was on a downward path to death.

There is no mention of the previous three months: on 29th May 2001 my mother was transferred from Haslar to Gosport War Memorial Hospital for **rehabilitation**.

The period from May to August is the crucial time needing in-depth investigation to determine the negligence and poor nursing that led to such a deterioration in my mother's condition that a gastrostomy feeding tube was required to be inserted on 31st July.

I wonder just what is going on as even this short Expert Review report contains at least the following inaccuracies:-

- My mother was <u>85</u> when transferred to Gosport Memorial on 29th May 2001 she was not 86 until 28th August 2001.
- According to the Review my mother was not in the hospital in July so where was she when the feeding tube was inserted, at home?

I find the Expert Review totally unacceptable and would appreciate your thoughts on the matter.

Yours sincerely,

Marjorie Bulbeck (Mrs.)

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