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Dear Professor Forrest,

Dulcie Middleton dec'd.

Thank you for your letter of 5th April in respect of my late mother, Dulcie Middleton.

I should be pleased if you would look at the enclosed letters, in which I have highlighted what I consider to be the main points.

I hope that you can see from my letter of complaint to the General Medical Council, dated 22nd April 2002, that my mother did not receive the standard of care one would expect. This is confirmed by Alan Pickering of Fareham and Gosport NHS, in his letter of 3rd October 2002, following completion of an investigation on my behalf by Consultant Nurse Williams who read through my mother's medical records with me.

In my mother's medical file there is a query as to the position of the stomach peg, i.e. being situated too high.

The atmosphere that these elderly patients were in was not a good one for recovery. If they were unable to feed themselves quite often they were not fed and they therefore deteriorated. Rehabilitation means that one needs help and encouragement.

I only hope that I do not end my days in an NHS hospital.

Thank you for your concern.

Yours sincerely,

Marjorie Bulbeck (Mrs.)

Encs.