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Dear Ms Semple

Thank you for your letter dated 3 February 2006 in which you respond to Mrs Bulbeck's letter of 18th January 2006 addressed to Mrs Allen

In her letter of 18th January 2006 Mrs Bulbeck stated the following:

"It appears to me that the IPCC should proceed in the following order;

- 1. Meet with complainants and inform them of the reason the IPCC gave a public apology in respect of this matter.
- 2. At the same meeting inform complainants of the problems the IPCC has had in dealing with this matter.
- 3. At the same meeting explain to complainants why the IPCC allowed the document of 28 June 2005, signed by Laurence Lustgarten, to be authorized for forwarding to complainants.
- 4. At the same meeting explain to complainants why the IPCC allowed the team handling the case to continue up until 28 June 2005 when it would be perfectly obvious, if the art of delegation is adhered to within the IPCC, that the investigation into the complaint was being mismanaged.
- 5. At the same meeting explain to complainants how the IPCC arranged for the investigation to be conducted, who delegated responsibility for the investigation to whom and so on down the line in respect of each person involved.
- After making the complainants aware of answers to the above, the IPCC should allow the complainants the opportunity to voice their confidence, or lack of confidence, in the IPCC and its ability to progress the case further.
- 7. Should there be a number of complainants having the confidence to wish the IPCC to continue investigating the claim then those complainants should be offered the opportunity to meet with Rebecca Marsh in order that she can explain what she will do differently to ensure that the investigation proceeds efficiently and expeditiously.

As matters stand at this time I am in receipt of a public apology from the IPCC because of the failings of the IPCC in the way this investigation has been mismanaged.

Despite requests to ascertain the explanation for the public apology, there has been no explanation from the IPCC.

I have asked the IPCC to pass on my concerns to the Home Office and for the Home Office to investigate the IPCC's handling of this matter.

I have received no word from anyone but I will refrain from taking any action Code A

● Page 2 February 8, 2006 until after either Mr Wadham has spoken to Mr Wilson and a way forward has been agreed or after Mr Wadham has failed to contact Mr Wilson.

I have no confidence in the IPCC continuing to investigate this matter unless and until I receive answers and explanations as to why and how the IPCC has mismanaged the investigation up to date, including the manner in which the IPCC has corresponded with complainants between 1 July 2005 up to date.

Should I receive the answers and explanations from the IPCC prior to 23 February 2006, I, together with Mr Wilson, will see Rebecca March at Gosport."

You state that your letter is a response to the above. It does not take any form of genius to look at the content of your letter to see that in the main there has been no response to the matters raised by Mrs Bulbeck.

Mrs Bulbeck and I will now raise our concerns about the IPCC with other parties as the IPCC has consistently failed to deal with the issues raised..

Mrs Bulbeck and I will meet with Rebecca Marsh on 23 February 2006 to hear what she has to say.

Please inform me of the name of the newspaper(s) in which the IPCC had the public apology printed.

In order that the IPCC does not have to deal with a duplicated work load, any further correspondence will be forthcoming from myself rather than from Mrs Bulbeck and myself. Please ensure that all correspondence in this matter is forwarded to myself. Mrs Bulbeck and I have agreed that all future correspondence will emanate from myself.

Thanking you in anticipation of your co-operation.

Yours sincerely,



CC Mrs Marjorie Bulbeck

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