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Chief Constable Paul R. Kernaghan CBE QPM LL.B MA

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Re Operation ROCHESTER- request for meeting with Senior Investigating Officer.

May I refer to your recent correspondence with Assistant Chief Constable WATTS in respect of the proposed meeting with myself to discuss the police investigation into the death of your late step- father Arthur CUNNINGHAM and apologise for the delayed response due to a 'leave' commitment.

I understand that you have asked that Mr CUNNINGHAM'S next of kin be notified of the prospect of such a meeting with a view to inviting their attendance.

I regret to inform you that Operation ROCHESTER do not have details of other family members upon the basis that they did not fall into the evidential chain. You seem to have exclusively dealt with matters at the time of Arthur's death as the nominated next of kin.

You remain the single family member forwarding relevant information in respect of Mr CUNNINGHAM'S medical and personal history, additionally useful information was gleaned from Mr CUNNINGHAM'S domestic helper Mrs Shirley SELLWOOD.

The evidential papers considered by the CPS otherwise consisted of expert witnesses in respect of palliative care, medical oncology and geriatric care, Mrs CUNNINGHAM'S GP and a range of healthcare professionals dispensing assessment and care towards your stepfather during the months leading to his death including:-

Consultant in old age psychiatry

Clinical assistant in old age psychiatry

Consultant Geriatrician

Pathologist

Clinical assistant at Dolphin day care hospital

A senior house officer and staff grade doctor at Gosport war memorial hospital

Senior house officer elderly mental health

Nursing director to Thalassa nursing home

A mental health social worker



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A speech therapist

Clinical ward manager

Eleven nursing staff involved in the care of Mr CUNNINGHAM.

Evidence gained from the police interviews of the attending clinical assistant Dr Jane BARTON.

As previously indicated I would be very happy to meet with you to discuss the general structure of the investigation, a summarised outcome of the expert evidence and to inform you of the ongoing considerations of the GMC and Coroner whilst being mindful that there may be other formal hearings in respect of Mr CUNNINGHAM'S death.

I am currently available for such a meeting (either at your home address or at Fareham Police Station) during the morning of Wednesday 28th February, a/m or p/m Thursday 8th March or Wednesday 14th March 2007, I will then be out of the country until Monday 2nd April and my diary is currently free during that week. Please advise as to a date convenient to you.

Yours Faithfully

David WILLIAMS

Detective Superintendent.