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Sent: 08 January 2009 11:32
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Subject: Re: Gosport War Memorial Hospital

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The only addition, if you felt it appropriate would be to say "as already agreed with the Coroner"

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I've largely used your message below as the basis of the draft reply attached. Grateful for any further comments.

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I would prefer not to have to go to Ministers with this again given that nothing substantive has happened to since we all met the Coroner and the police and it was agreed that the coroner would go ahead with the Inquests

It would be helpful if you could just reply that you have confirmed with the Department that their view remains the same since the Coroner decided to hold Inquests. Given the variety of investigations already undertaken and the powers that Coroners have to inquire into all the circumstances leading up to the death, we agree that the Inquests should now proceed and if after that there remain any issues that need further attention then DH will look at the position again

Best wishes

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Perhaps you cou

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As you know, DH is leading on recent correspondence about the question of a public inquiry into the deaths at Gosport War Memorial Hospital.

The coroner who will be holding the inquests has now added his voice to the call for reconsideration of a public inquiry – letter attached. As the basis of any public inquiry would be the standards of care at the hospital, it seems to us that this is another one for a DH reply. If you agree, we will acknowledge and inform the coroner that his letter has been passed to you.

As I'm off for a week after tomorrow, please cc your response to Judith and Brian.

Thanks.

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