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17<sup>th</sup> July 2008

Dear Dr Black

**Re: Gosport War Memorial Hospital**

I have conduct of these Inquests at the request of David Horsley HM Coroner for Portsmouth and I have taken Jurisdiction as his Assistant Deputy.

I am holding a Pre-inquest Hearing in Portsmouth on 14<sup>th</sup> August 2008 when I hope to list the substantive hearing of all ten Inquests and I have provisionally booked four weeks starting on 21<sup>st</sup> October 2008 again in Portsmouth and I need to check your availability.

Subject to any representations from interested persons I intend to rely upon your expert evidence and I anticipate that it will take two to three days and I would be grateful if you could confirm your overall availability but particularly in week two the week of 27<sup>th</sup> October 2008.

However I would be grateful if you could confirm your overall availability for the four weeks.

Yours sincerely

A M Bradley  
H M Assistant Deputy Coroner  
Portsmouth and South East Hampshire