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Cc: Subject: John.White(<u>Code A</u> Davies Emma; stuart.knowles(<u>Code A</u> Jacqueline Haines Barker, Ian FW: Inquest re Gladys Richards (dec)

To all concerned

In his absence HM Coroner, Mr Horsley, has asked me to circulate this E Mail from Mr Barker of the MDU. His proposal can be discussed at the Pre Inquest Meeting on the 12th December 2012.

Regards

Lisa JOHN Coroners Officer Portsmouth & South East Hampshire

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I appreciate that may not be available for everyone else.

To assist, can I propose that the Coroner allocates a period – perhaps a week – within those dates. A number of witnesses could then give evidence, Dr Barton included. Dr Barton can then be released as a witness.

Anticipating that single week will not be long enough, a further a week could be set aside in the period 25th March – 2th April. Dr Barton cannot attend then, but both Dr Barton's barrister and I will be able to represent her.

Please do let me know if that might help in any way, and if I can assist further.

With kind regards

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