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**From:** Code A  
**Sent:** 06 May 2009 09:28  
**To:** Baker, Prof R.  
**Subject:** RE: Independent on Sunday

Dear Professor Baker

Thank you for your email last week, and apologies for the delay in my reply. I understand your position as this is the same reason I have been given by a number of different medical experts who were commissioned by the police over the years.

I have however managed to have off-the-record conversations with several of these fore mentioned professors which has really helped me to direct my own investigations more effectively. I would therefore be really grateful if you could even spare 15minutes for a conversation, strictly off-the-record? As I mentioned before, I will be in Leicester next Monday 11 May, so if you are able to spare some time then, I would be happy to meet you for a coffee. If not, then a telephone conversation would be fine.

I hope you will appreciate that my persistence is driven by my wish to pursue answers for all the relatives who are still in-limbo after so many year, rather than anything else.

Best wishes

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30/04/2009 08:14

Subject RE: Independent on Sunday

Dear Nina Lakhani

Thanks for your message. My primary concern at the moment is to do nothing that will make the course of any legal or regulatory process more complicated. The report has not been published as yet for this reason. I would be anxious about saying anything at this stage. I am sorry about this, but it is difficult to see any way round this problem. By all means phone me, but I can only repeat this view.

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**From:** Code A

**Sent:** 28 April 2009 16:53

**To:** Code A

**Subject:** Independent on Sunday

Dear Professor Baker

I am a health reporter at the Independent on Sunday newspaper. I have been investigating and reporting on the

deaths at Gosport War Memorial Hospital for several weeks now. I know that your report is with the Government and out of your hands, but I wonder whether you would consider talking to me, off the record, either by phone or in person? I am in Leicester on 10 and 11 May, and would be happy to meet for coffee or lunch. If not, then a telephone conversation would be fine.

Having spoken to a number of other key professors, (for want of a better phrase), off the record, I guarantee you that it will be strictly for background for my on-going investigations. I am in contact with a significant number of relatives and feel compelled to keep pursuing the 'story' on their behalf.

Apologies if I seem somewhat forward in this email, but I hope you will consider my request.

Best wishes

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