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H M Coroner Miss Angela Colhoun AF Colhoun and Company 21 Market Street OMAGH BT78 1EE

Dear Miss Colhoun

I trust you enjoyed your holidays!

May I seek your assistance in relation to an issue in which I have been involved.

The very brief details are:-

- > Lucy Crawford (DOB 5 November 1998) was admitted to Erne Hospital on 12 April 2000 with a history of fever and vomiting
- > On 13 April 2000 she collapsed and was placed on a life support system for transfer to Royal Belfast Hospital for Sick Children
- ➤ The life support system was 'switched off' on 14 April 2000
- > A post mortem examination was conducted by Dr D O'Hara in Royal Victoria Hospital

I hold -

- (1) Lucy's case notes for Erne
- (2) RBHSC case notes have been requested
- (3) Full Post Mortem report
- (4) Brief notes of conversations with Mr and Mrs Crawford and the Pathologist

As you can imagine Mr and Mrs Crawford are distraught at their daughter's untimely death. They asked me for advice as to the Coroner's role. Would it be possible for a brief meeting in for example Omagh Library Headquarters to discuss the role?

I am very sensitive to protocol and legal etiquette and would have to seek your opinion as to whether the proposal is realistic. I will of course abide by your response.

Yours sincerely

Stanley E Millar Chief Officer