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From: Hall Janet [JHall@
Sent: 08 June 2004 15:58
To: O'Brien Anne
Subject: FW: Further enquiries from Impartial Reporter

Importance: High
Sensitivity: Confidential

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For your information.

Best wishes.

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-----Original Message-----

From: Hall Janet
Sent: Tuesday, June 08, 2004 03:57
To: Mills Hugh; Cody Diana; 'Harry Mullan'; 'Jenny Irvine'
Cc: MacSherry Eavan; Kettyle Jenny; McGlone Michelle
Subject: Further enquiries from Impartial Reporter
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Please see below further communication with Denzil McDaniel, editor of Impartial Reporter, who referred further questions to the Trust earlier today related to our press release issued last week. I discussed his questions with Bridget and we felt it was better to respond than create a vacuum which the media could fill with their own interpretation of us not responding to their questions.

Best wishes.

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-----Original Message-----

From: Hall Janet
Sent: Tuesday, June 08, 2004 03:48
To: 'Denzil McDaniel'
Subject: RE: Enquiry re. press statement

Denzil

Thank you for your email. We will response in the same order as your questions:

1. The Trust is awaiting contact from the family.
2. The Steering Group will be agreeing distribution of the report. However, the report and recommendations will be presented to the clinical and social care governance committee which is open to the public and media.
3. The Trust's letter to the family included the draft terms of reference to be agreed by the Steering Group. These have yet to be formally adopted by the Steering Group.
4. The Trust is unable to answer on behalf of the Western Health and Social

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Services Council.

5. Yes. The Trust is committed to an open and robust examination and in developing our proposal and membership of the Steering Group, we have sought to secure independent opinion through the involvement of the NI clinical and social care governance team and the independent specialist consultants.

Best wishes.

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-----Original Message-----

From: Denzil McDaniel [mailto:dmcdaniel@ [REDACTED]]
Sent: Tuesday, June 08, 2004 01:25
To: Hall Janet
Subject: Re: Enquiry re. press statement
Importance: High

Janet.
Further to your press release last week, I have some follow-up questions.
The chairman "remains hopeful" that the Crawford family will contribute to the process.
Can you confirm if the family will contribute and if they have expressed confidence in the process?

Will the final report of the steering group be shared to the Crawford family?

Can you explain why the letter to the family included references to the Western Health and Social Services Council, but the press release did not?

Has the Chief Office of the WHSS Council accepted an invitation to sit on the steering group? And does the Council have faith in the steering group?

Does the Trust believe that the steering group is open to sufficient independent scrutiny?

I will be in touch later today re the above enquiries.
Denzil

> From: "Hall Janet" <JHall [REDACTED]>
> Date: Wed, 2 Jun 2004 16:44:45 +0100
> To: "Impartial Reporter" <dmcdaniel@ [REDACTED]>
> Subject: Enquiry re. press statement [REDACTED]

> This message is bound by the disclaimer below.

> Denzil

> My apologies for leaving it so late to get back to you re. your further enquiries on the statement Trust issued yesterday evening.

> The steering group will report back to the Trust's clinical and social care governance committee, which is open to public and media. It will be for the steering group to discuss and agree if their report will be made public.