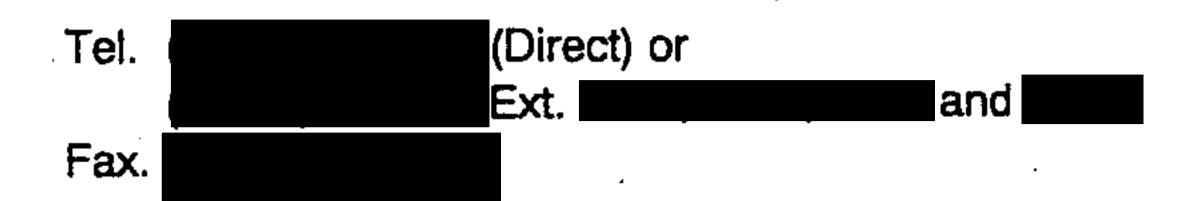


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Dear John,

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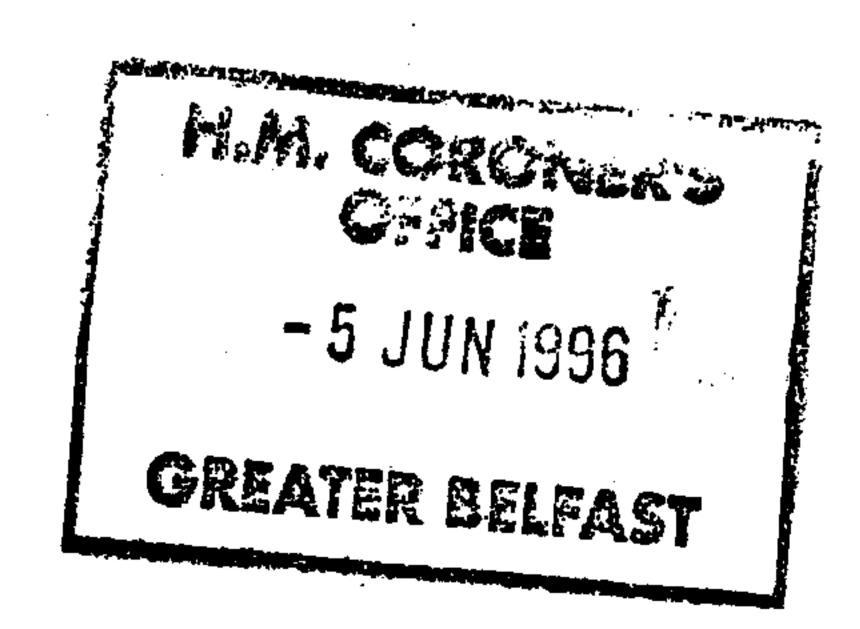
Thank you for your letter dated 29th May, 1996 and a copy of Miss Strain's letter dated 28th May, 1996.

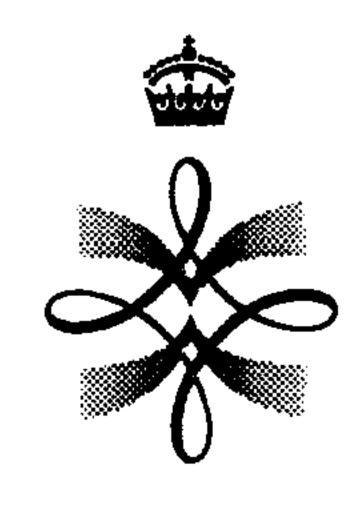
The figures regarding Adam's fluid management were provided by the medical staff involved in his care. My opinion on the cause of death stays the same regardless of whether he received 600 mls. or 900 mls. of fluid. It is not just the volume of fluid he received but the type. The fact that his sodium level was low intra-operatively is the critical point.

Yours sincerely,

Alison Armour

Senior Registrar





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