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21st January 2004

Dear Mr Leckey,

RE: INQUEST INTO THE DEATH OF LUCY CRAWFORD (DECE LISTED FOR HEARING ON 17th FEBRUARY 2004

The Legal Services Commission has received an application on be Mrs Neville Crawford for funding for representation at the Inquest it of their daughter, Lucy, pursuant to Article 12 of the Access to Just 2003.

By paragraph 9 (b) of the Lord Chancellor's Guidance the Legal Se Commission is required to seek your views on the application before determination. I seek the following information:

- 1. The likely duration of the Inquest;
- 2. Whether, in your view, legal representation for the bereavec justified and;
- 3. The level of legal representation of other interested parties.

I confirm that you are not obliged to respond.

Yours Faithfully

Richard Ferguson