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LUCY CRAWFORD, DECEASED

On 3rd March I wrote to Ms Rosemary Moore, about the death of this little girl.

I am enclosing a copy of the report of Dr Edward Sumner and a copy of the post mortem report of Dr Denis O'Hara. The post mortem examination was by consent rather than pursuant to a direction from me and I only became aware that a post mortem examination had been carried out several months ago. I am aware that Dr O'Hara is absent on long-term sick leave. If this were not the case I would ask him to convert his report into a coroners report having considered the views expressed by Dr Sumner. It would be helpful if you would advise me whether it is anticipated that Dr O'Hara will be returning to work. Otherwise, would Dr Claire Thornton be willing to re-examine the pathology findings in conjunction with the report of Dr Sumner and prepare a post mortem report for use at the inquest? Would you be willing to ask her?

I should be grateful if you would circulate copies of this report to those involved. I understand that the consultant concerned was Dr Hanrahan and Dr Peter Crean also has an interest.

If I can assist you in any way please let me know.

I will be obtaining statements direct from the Erne Hospital.

If you have any queries please let me know.

Yours sincerely

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