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YOUR REF:

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Dear Mr Walby

RACHEL FERGUSON (DECEASED)

I refer to my recent consultation with yourself and Dr Creane in relation to this matter. At first blush I cannot see how the Trust can be implicated in the tragic circumstances surrounding the treatment given to the child and the subsequent demise at RBHSC.

Dr Creane has indicated to me that the facts surrounding an earlier matter (Adam Strain Deceased) were not on all fours with the present case but, I believe, it would be prudent for you to speak directly with Dr Ian Carson in relation to this matter, particularly, given it would appear that the Department has some knowledge of the circumstances surrounding this particular incident. I look forward to hearing from you and in the meantime when I receive copies of the Depositions I will forward same to you.

Yours sincerely

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- *Spoke to IWC*
- *20/1/03*
- *After already tried to speak to GB + Dr Creane*
- *Spoke to GB*
- *21/1/03*