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Dear Mr Doherty

**Your Clients: Mr & Mrs Ferguson – the next of kin of Raychel Ferguson
(Deceased)**

Thank you for your letter of 21 January 2005.

Your request for a full working copy of our case file has been passed to our Information Access team, a representative of which will respond to you directly.

Regarding your clients' complaint, we feel it appropriate to await the outcome of the public inquiry before proceeding further with our own complaints procedures, primarily because information may come to light during the inquiry which could assist us in our own investigations.

Nevertheless, the resumption of our investigations would require your clients' assistance by providing the additional information we have requested on two previous occasions, namely their specific allegations against each of the six doctors concerned.

It would therefore be helpful if you could provide this information now in readiness for our re-consideration of the complaint, following completion of the public inquiry.

Please contact me if you have any queries.

Yours sincerely


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