Ruth O'Reilly

From:

Christine Stewart

Sent:

15 September 2004 09:26

To:

Ruth O'Reilly

Cc: Subject: Jo.McGinley RE: Clarification re filming requests

Morning Ruth,

Forgive me for not getting back to your sooner, I'm just back at my desk and going through a heap of e mails.

Re: your request for exteriors of the Children's Hospital.
Of course we're happy to facilitate your crew, however Jo is right - it is our normal practice to accompany media on site. This is simply to facilitate the crew and ensure that things go smoothly for them while on the hospital site.

We also value our relationship with you. Please give me a ring when you're thinking of coming up so that I can sort out parking for you and inform security.

Best regards

ristine

----Original Message----

From: Ruth O'Reilly

Sent: 14 September 2004 11:59

To: Christine Stewart

Subject: Clarification re filming requests

Dear Christine,

I have been working with Trevor Birney for some time on a programme examining the death of Lucy Crawford. I made a call to your office this morning to discuss filming exterior general views of the children's hospital. I was told by your colleague, Jo McGinley that she would have to accompany me and the crew.

I am used to trust PR staff being on hand when crews are filming interiors, where it is necessary to guard patient privacy. However no such need exists for exteriors shots of a public building - security staff are usually informed beforehand of the bona fides of the crew and know not to interfere. I have never encountered a requirement like this fore and would like to clarify your position on this matter. It would a pity to see the relationship based on trust between ourselves and yourselves affected by unnecessary bureaucracy.

Yours,

Ruth O'Reilly Producer, Insight

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