Baxter, Clare

From:

Trevor Birney

Sent:

12 November 2004 10:53

To:

'Baxter, Clare'

Subject: RE: Statement

Clare,

Is the Department of Health intending to appoint family liaison personnel to deal directly with the families involved?

Give me a call.

Trevor.

Trevor Birney
Editor, Current Affairs
UTV

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From: Baxter, Clare [mailto:Clare.Baxter@

Sent: 11 November 2004 17:45

To: 'Trevor Birney'
Subject: RE: Statement

Hi Trevor, nothing further for you today. I know that there's still a lot to be worked out and I know that John O'Hara wants to have any outstanding issues resolved before any announcement is made. I know I'm repeating myself but this is a major undertaking and it's vital that we take account of all the issues that have been raised including questions about the scope and remit of the inquiry and other issues such as the ones you've mentioned below.

Clare (9052 0571)

----Original Message----

From: Trevor Birney [mailto:

Sent: 11 November 2004 16:26

To: 'Baxter, Clare'

Subject: RE: Statement

Clare,

Any chance of a reply to the questions I've posed?

Trevor.

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From: Baxter, Clare [mailto:Clare.Baxter

Sent: 09 November 2004 15:45

To: 'Trevor Birney' **Subject:** RE: Statement

Hi Trevor, nothing further again today, hopefully very soon, I'll be in touch as soon as I hear anything.

Clare

----Original Message----

From: Trevor Birney [mailto:tbirney

Sent: 09 November 2004 12:05

To: 'Baxter, Clare'

Subject: RE: Statement

Clare,

It is now over a week since the Minister announced her plans to hold an inquiry. Yet, the Department have not given any further details.

In the meantime, I've these questions for the Department:

Will this inquiry have the scope and remit to examine how the department, right to the Permanent Secretary, handled the deaths of the children?

Will it be held in public?

Will the families be allowed legal representation?

And, when will the Minister be available for interview on her decision to call an inquiry?

Best wishes, Trevor.

Trevor Birney Editor, Current Affairs UTV

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From: Baxter, Clare [mailto:Clare.Baxter

Sent: 04 November 2004 15:13

To: 'Trevor Birney'
Subject: RE: Statement

Hi Trevor, we don't have anything new today I'm afraid. I'm not in tomorrow so speak to Leona Edgar (leona.edgar or tel: to check up on what's happening. I'll be back in on Monday.

26/01/2005

Clare

----Original Message----

From: Trevor Birney [mailto: Sent: 04 November 2004 13:29

To: 'Baxter, Clare'
Subject: RE: Statement

Clare,

Anything new today?

We're still looking for statement from Minister, also the terms of reference for the inquiry.

Also, specific question:

When does the minister intend meeting with the three mothers of the children involved?

Trevor Birney Editor, Current Affairs UTV

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From: Baxter, Clare [mailto:Clare.Baxter

Sent: 03 November 2004 17:20

To: 'tbirney

Subject: Statement

Trevor, here's the line.

The Police investigation is more narrow than ours - theirs concentrates on

criminal matters. We are looking at the totality of issues, for example,

the complaint's procedure and information given to the families. John

O'Hara is aware of the above issues and is happy to proceed with the investigation.

Clare Baxter

Senior Information Officer

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