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From: Mulhern, Kevin
Sent: 30 April 2004 14:30
To: Gowdy, Clive; Campbell, Dr Henrietta; Carson, Ian; McCarthy, Miriam; Burne, Alison; Lindsay, Sharon; Shannon, Colm
Subject: FW: Lucy Crawford

To all

I intend to issue the following line to the further query from the Impartial Reporter if you are content. See below.

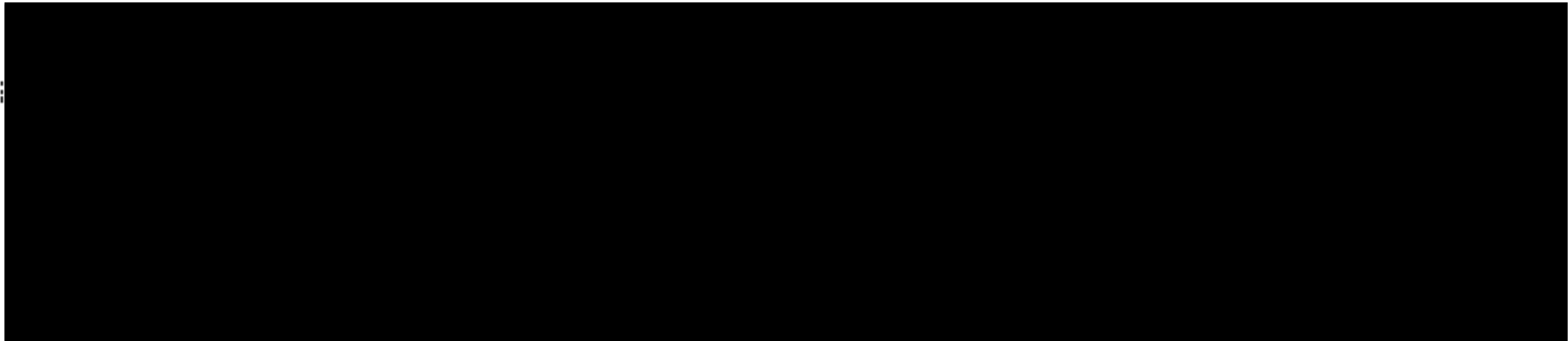
Happy to discuss

Kevin

Line to Take

The Minister is not available for interview but may be available at a later date. I am sorry I cannot be more specific at this time.

-----Original Message-----

From: Denzil McDaniel [mailto:dmdaniel@
Sent: 30 April 2004 12:41
To: Mulhern, Kevin
Subject: Re: Lucy Crawford

Kevin,

Thanks for your reply. Could you clarify something for me?

In previous correspondence, you refer to the Minister's diary problems or getting a slot.

Yesterday, you simply say she is not available. Could you clarify if this is a definitive statement which indicates the Minister is not available, full stop, to talk about this case.

I am sorry correspondence about this is protracted, but we consider the issues surrounding Lucy Crawford's case to be extremely important.
Denzil

> From: "Mulhern, Kevin" <Kevin.Mulhern@
> Date: Thu, 29 Apr 2004 10:08:44 +0100
> To: "'Denzil McDaniel'" <dmdaniel@
> Subject: RE: Lucy Crawford

> Denzil

> The Department is happy to help you in any way it can with regard to this
> matter. We would repeat our offer to assist with any further issues that you
> have stated remain and ask that these are forwarded to us. As I have
> indicated to you the Minister is not available for interview.

> Regards

> Kevin

> -----Original Message-----

> From: Denzil McDaniel [mailto:dmdaniel@
> Sent: 28 April 2004 14:33
> To: Mulhern, Kevin
> Subject: Re: Lucy Crawford

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> Thanks for your reply.

> I am naturally disappointed, but understand the pressure on the Minister's
> time.

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> in a case where hospital errors resulted in the death of a young baby, so I
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>> From: "Mulhern, Kevin" <Kevin.Mulhern@ [REDACTED]>
>> Date: Tue, 27 Apr 2004 15:59:22 +0100
>> To: "'Denzil McDaniel'" <dmdaniel@ [REDACTED]>
>> Subject: RE: lucy crawford
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>> -----Original Message-----
>> From: Denizil McDaniel (mailto:dmdaniel@ [REDACTED])
>> Sent: 16 April 2004 09:32
>> To: kevin.mulhern@ [REDACTED]
>> Subject: lucy crawford
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From: Mulhern, Kevin
Sent: 28 April 2004 15:15
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Subject: FW: Lucy Crawford

To All

My advice would be to continue to decline the interview request and repeat our offer to answer any questions they wish to forward to us (see line to take below). The Minister is not going to be around much in May and June due to various things including the European elections so I think we stick to our guns.

Happy to discuss

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