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1 November 2002

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Dr John Jenkins Consultant Paediatrician Antrim Area Hospital 45 Bush Road ANTRIM BT41 2QB

Dear Sir

RACHEL FERGUSON (DECEASED) - INQUEST AT BELFAST CORONER'S COURT, 26 AND 27 NOVEMBER 2002

I refer to our recent telephone conversation and thank you for agreeing to consider these papers on behalf of Altnagelvin Trust.

The deceased was born on the 4 February 1992 and died at the Royal Victoria Hospital on 10 June 2001. She had been admitted to Altnagelvin Hospital on 7 June 2001 and was diagnosed as having appendicitis. Appendicectomy was carried out on the same day and her subsequent progress is detailed in the enclosed reports. The Coroner is to hold an inquest into her death at Belfast Coroner's Court, Victoria Street, Belfast, on the 26 and 27 November 2002. The Coroner has obtained an independent report from Dr E Sumner, Consultant Paediatric Anaesthetist.

Thank you for agreeing to prepare a report on this matter and I look forward to receiving same as soon as possible.

Yours faithfully

M C Carey Solicitor

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SCHEDULE OF DOCUMENTS

RACHEL FERGUSON

- 1. Statement of Jeremy Johnston undated.
- 2. Statement of Dr B Trainor dated 15 December 2001.
- 3. Statement of Dr Morrison dated 6 December 2001.
- 4. Statement of Dr. Ragai Reda Makar dated 16 January 2002.
- 5. Report of Mr Gilliland dated 30 January 2002.
- 6. Statement of Dr McCord dated 12 June 2001.
- 7. Statement of Dr Nesbitt dated 14 Nov 2001.
- 8. Statement of Staff Nurse Nobel dated 14 June 2001.
- 9. Statement of Sister Millar dated 15 June 2001.
- 10. Statement of Dr Daté dated 12 December 2001.
- 11. Statement of Dr Jamison dated 3 February 2002.
- 12. Statement of Dr Zafar dated 22 March 2002.
- 13. Independent Report prepared for the Coroner by Dr Sumner dated February 2002.
- 14. Extracts from literature Huskisson and Arieff.
- 15. Autopsy Report.
- 16. Draft Press Statement Altnagelvin Hospital.
- 17. Copy Altnagelvin Hospital notes and records.

Dated the 1st day of November 2002

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