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Dear Peter

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I refer to previous correspondence and would confirm that this matter was listed before H M Coroner on 11th instant. The net issue to be considered at that time related to the provisions of the Human Rights legislation and I would confirm, that the Coroner has now indicated that he is satisfied that Article 2 of the European Convention of Human Rights in the Application of the Middleton Judgement has no application to this type viz the case of alleged Clinical Negligence. Accordingly he has directed that the parties should check the availability of their witnesses and he has further indicated that he will reserve a period of 1 week for the termination of the Inquest. I will write to you further in relation to timetabling and if any points arise please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

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