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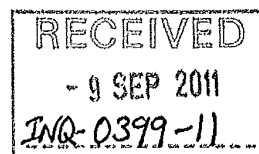
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Ms Bernie Conlon
Inquiry Secretary
Arthur House
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Dear Madam

RE: INQUIRY INTO HYPONATRAEMIA RELATED DEATHS

I refer to your letter dated 8th June 2011 (BC-0025-11) and to my response dated 2nd August 2011.

In relation to question 4 I have provided you with the dates of the renal transplants undertaken in RBHSC from 1 April 1993 which involved either Dr Taylor or Mr Keane. You have also requested the medical notes and records in these cases. I am conscious of the Belfast Trust's obligations regarding the confidentiality of patient's records. Therefore, I would be grateful if you would confirm in what respect you consider the medical records relating to renal transplant operations involving Dr Taylor or Mr Keane are of relevance to the issues under consideration in the Hyponatraemia Inquiry. The Terms of Reference of the Inquiry state the Inquiry is to be held

'Into the events surrounding and following the deaths of Adam Strain and Raychel Ferguson, with particular reference to:

1. The care and treatment of Adam Strain and Raychel Ferguson, especially in relation to the management of fluid balance and the choice and administration of intravenous fluids in each case.'

I am not aware that there is any suggestion that there are any issues relating to hyponatraemia in any of the renal transplants involving Dr Taylor or Mr Keane.

You will be aware that Messrs Carson McDowell act on behalf of Mr Keane and I would be grateful if you would confirm whether you have advised Messrs Carson McDowell of these requests relating to operations involving Mr Keane.

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Yours faithfully

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