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Your Ref:  
BPC-0101-12  
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Our Ref:  
HYP B04/01

Date:  
13.02.12

Mr B Cullen  
Solicitor to the Inquiry  
Arthur House  
41 Arthur Street  
Belfast  
BT1 4GB



Dear Sir,

**RE: INQUIRY INTO HYPONATRAEMIA RELATED DEATHS**

I refer to the above and your letters of 16<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> January 2012. I am instructed that the date in question is 9<sup>th</sup> April 1997.

Furthermore I am instructed that a copy of the Royal Group of Hospitals Trust's Full Accreditation certificate and the original of the Belfast City Hospital's Full Accreditation certificate have now come to light.

The copy of the Royal Group of Hospital's certificate was found placed with documentation belonging to the successor European Foundation Quality Management's Excellence Model. The addendum to the Royal Group of Hospital's certificate was found as two identical pages and it may be that there was a second page which included other clinical services which had not been copied and two pages of the same document were filed in error. The Belfast City Hospital Trust's certificate dated 3<sup>rd</sup> June 1997 was spotted mounted on the wall in a public area of the City Hospital (copies enclosed). It is available for open inspection by the Inquiry if they wish as it is very faded. Alternatively the Estates Department could have it dismounted from the wall if you wish.

I await hearing from you.

Yours faithfully,

Joanna Bolton  
Solicitor Consultant

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# Accreditation

Date issued:

Valid until:

(Valid when held with a current letter of approval)

Certificate Number:

SIGNED:

Director

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Chairman

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HOSPITAL ACCREDITATION PROGRAMME

*London Royal Free Hospital*

*Has been awarded*

FULL

*Accreditation*

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