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**Sent**: 03/06/2013 10:45:05 **To**: alan.bates **GRO** 

Subject:FW: Horizon Inquiry and JFSA concerns

Dear Alan

Thank you for your email of the 21 May, and sorry I was not able to respond to you sooner as I have been on leave.

I am more than happy to meet both you and Kay to discuss the on-going Horizon Inquiry. Unfortunately, however, I cannot make your suggested date of the 5 June.

My understanding is that we are too early in the investigation to suggest that things have been discovered which call into question the integrity of the system or the validity of prosecutions, and to suggest that at this stage would be wrong.

I have been advised that Second Sight have now agreed that the focus over the next few weeks will be on three specific cases and it may be that a meeting would be more productive once that work has been completed so I will get Theresa lles, my PA, to contact you to set up a date towards the end of June if that works for you.

Kind regards Paula

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From: Alan Bates GRO

**Sent:** 21 May 2013 10:59

To: Paula Vennells Cc: kay@ GRO

Subject: Horizon Inquiry and JFSA concerns

Hello Paula,

It is been a while since we met at James Arbuthnot's office, but at that time you did say that if I had any concerns I should contact you directly, hence the reason for this email.

Would it be possible for Kay Linnell and I to meet with you? You will recall that Kay is an independent forensic accountant who, on behalf of JFSA, has been monitoring the work  $2^{nd}$  Sight has been undertaking.

The main purpose of the meeting is to ensure that you have been receiving the full details of what has been occurring with the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sight investigation. Bearing in mind what has been discovered so far, I for one am surprised that we haven't yet met to discuss the implications. Whilst I appreciate that the majority of the issues began under previous regimes and you have expressed a genuine willingness to address the concerns that JFSA has been raising, these issues are still continuing. I have little doubt that it is now feasible to show that many of the prosecutions that POL have pressed home should never have taken place, and I believe this is a view shared by Kay.

If you would like to meet with Kay and myself, we could attend an early afternoon meeting on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> June or could look for a suitable alternative date.

Regards Alan

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