

OPERATIONAL NOTE

Preliminary Hearing

Date:	Wednesday, 22 June 2016
Start time:	10:30am
Expected finish time:	16.30 pm
Location:	The hearing will take place in Court 73 Royal Courts of Justice (RCJ), Strand, London WC2A 2LL

Sir Christopher Pitchford, Chairman of the Undercover Policing Inquiry, will hold a Preliminary Hearing on 22 June 2016 to consider whether the state has a duty to disclose to the parents of a deceased child that the child's identity was used for police purposes.

Submissions were received on 1 June 2016.

Further information on this preliminary issue can be found [here](#).

Notes for Editors

Media

1. Media representatives must present valid identification on arrival (media organisation staff pass, National Union of Journalist card, or a letter of accreditation from a media organisation).
2. Sir Christopher will not give media interviews.
3. Transcripts of the proceedings will be posted up on the Undercover Policing Inquiry website as soon as practicable after the close of the hearing.
4. Wifi is not available in RCJ courtrooms. There is a BT Openzone Hotspot at the back of the main hall near the coffee shop, Café 26. MiFi dongles may be used in courtrooms.

/ Restrictions

Restrictions in the RCJ & in the Hearing Room and in the Media/Public Annex

5. The Royal Courts of Justice (RCJ) conduct security checks and maintain the following restrictions:

- Camera and recording equipment are strictly prohibited and should not be brought into the Royal Courts of Justice.
- Mobile phones and Blackberry devices must be switched off or switched to 'silent'.
- Telephone calls are not permitted in either hearing room when the Inquiry is in session. Telephone calls may be made in the hearing rooms during breaks in proceedings but must conclude before the hearing resumes. To make calls during the hearing attendees must leave the hearing room.
- Text-based media is allowed in the Inquiry's hearing rooms and public areas of the Royal Courts of Justice. However, they must not cause a disturbance or distraction to proceedings and are subject to the Chairman's right to remove that privilege if he believes it is harming the administration of justice; **further, by an order made by the Chairman on 15 October 2015, no transmission of any statement made during the course of a hearing may be made until a period of 60 seconds has elapsed after the statement is made.**
- Laptops may be used in the Inquiry's hearing rooms and public areas if they do not disturb others but they may not be used to make live recordings of proceedings. Laptops must be battery-powered as power sockets are not available.
- Personal entertainment devices such as MP3 players and iPods may not be used in either hearing room when the Inquiry hearing is in session.
- The Inquiry Secretariat reserves the right to eject individuals who fail to comply with these conditions.
- Parking is not available within the Royal Courts of Justice and parking outside the court is extremely limited.
- Further information about the Royal Courts of Justice can be found here: www.justice.gov.uk/courts/rcj

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