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Dear Sir Christopher,

I am writing further your request for me to make an undertaking in the following terms in respect of any person who provides evidence to your Inquiry into undercover policing ("the Inquiry"), relating to a matter within its terms of reference:

"It is undertaken that, in respect of any person who provides evidence or produces a document, information or thing to the Inquiry, no evidence he or she may give to the Inquiry, whether orally or by written statement, nor any written statement made preparatory to giving evidence, nor any document, thing or information produced by that person to the Inquiry:

- (i) will be used against him or her (or their spouse or civil partner) in any criminal proceedings (whether present or future or on appeal from a conviction); or
- (ii) will be used when deciding whether to bring such proceedings,

except proceedings where he or she is charged with having given false evidence in the course of this Inquiry or with having conspired with or procured any other person to do so or is charged with any offence under section 35 of the Inquiries Act 2005 or having conspired with or procured others to commit such an offence.

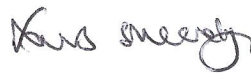
It is further undertaken not to use in criminal proceedings (whether present or future or on appeal against conviction) against that person (or their spouse or civil partner) any evidence which is itself the product of an investigation commenced as a result of the provision by that person of any evidence, document, thing or information to the Inquiry.

For the avoidance of doubt, this undertaking does not preclude the use of a document and/or information and/or evidence identified independently of the evidence provided by that person to the Inquiry."

I have consulted the Director of Public Prosecutions and I have also had the benefit of reading your ruling on undertakings dated 26 May 2016. I am content to grant an undertaking in the terms requested.

As you are aware undertakings have varied between inquiries both in their extent and in the types of witnesses covered by them. They are only given after careful consideration of nature of the inquiry, the types of evidence likely to be received and the likelihood that important evidence would not be available to an inquiry if witnesses thought that they might be prosecuted as a result of having given it. They are therefore "inquiry-specific".

The undertaking that you have requested is wider than many that have been given to previous inquiries. Nevertheless, the Director and I are satisfied that in the context of your particular inquiry it is appropriate.



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