

Statement made on behalf of: The Commissioner of Police of the Metropolis

Witness: Neil Hutchison

Statement No: 2

Exhibits Referred to: NH/160609/1, NH/160609/2, NH/160609/3,
NH/160609/4, NH/160609/5, NH/160609/6,
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IN THE MATTER OF: PUBLIC INQUIRY INTO UNDERCOVER POLICING

This is the exhibit marked NH/160609/2 referred to in Neil Hutchison's statement dated 9th June 2016

Draft Protocol for the Provision of Documents and Other Information to the Inquiry by the Metropolitan Police Service

“Aims

5. This protocol is designed to provide a framework for the provision of information by the Metropolitan Police Service that relates to any matter in question at the Inquiry and to ensure:

... (e) that all appropriate steps to prevent potentially relevant documents in the possession of the Metropolitan Police Service from being lost or destroyed are taken;

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Preservation of information by MPS

7. The Metropolitan Police Service will take all reasonably practicable steps to preserve all information which may be of relevance to the Inquiry. It will keep the Inquiry team informed as to the steps which it takes in order to do so.

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Retention of documents

35. The Metropolitan Police Service should ensure that it retains original versions of all documents and physical evidence relevant to the Inquiry and that relevant information is not destroyed.”