

Applications for restriction orders in respect of the real and cover names of officers of the Special Operations Squad and the Special Demonstrations Squad

Directions

1. It is anticipated that this will be the final order to make provision for the supply by the Metropolitan Police Service Commissioner's Legal Team and the Metropolitan Police Service Designated Lawyer Team of applications for restriction orders in respect of the names of Special Demonstration Squad officers for consideration by the Chairman as soon as reasonably practicable. Applications should be provided to the Inquiry in closed and open versions. Any supporting evidence, for example risk assessments and impact statements, should be provided to the Inquiry in closed version. If the Inquiry Legal Team decides it is necessary to receive an open version of the supporting evidence then it will so request it from the applicant on a case by case basis.
2. In setting this direction, the Chairman expects that where an officer is represented by the Metropolitan Police Service Designated Lawyer Team, the officer and those representatives will work with the Metropolitan Police Service Commissioner's Legal Team to ensure that they meet the specified date below.
3. It is so directed that:
 - (a) the Metropolitan Police Service Commissioner's Legal Team and the Metropolitan Police Service Designated Lawyer Team are to provide to the Inquiry, as soon as reasonably practicable after 31 May 2018 for HN299/342, and as soon as reasonably practicable but by no later than 31 May 2018 for HN4, HN18, HN29, HN30, HN36, HN39, HN49, HN51, HN52, HN69, HN97, HN110, HN126, HN129, HN217, HN221, HN314 and HN350:
 - (i) open and closed versions of the applications for restriction orders together with closed versions of the supporting evidence; or
 - (ii) written confirmation that no restrictions are sought;
 - (iii) where it is known that neither the Commissioner nor the officer's legal representative seeks to restrict publication of a cover name the written confirmation supplied by the Metropolitan Police Service Commissioner's Legal Team should include the details which can safely be published at this stage about that officer's years of deployment and groups deployed into.

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(b) It is not expected that further directions will be necessary.

11 May 2018

Sir John Mitting
Chairman, Undercover Policing Inquiry