

Recognised Legal Representatives Costs of Legal Representation Awards Ruling 15

Tariq Ali

1. On 7 June 2018, I designated Tariq Ali a core participant in Category K. I will treat the letter from Saunders Solicitors Limited of 7 June 2018 as an application for Richard Parry to be designated as Tariq Ali's recognised legal representative under rule 6 of the Inquiry Rules 2006 and for an award in respect of the cost of legal representation under Rule 20 and section 40(1) of the Inquiries Act 2005. I apply the principles set out in Sir Christopher Pitchford's rulings of 2 November 2015 and 16 December 2015.
2. Richard Parry is already recognised as the legal representative for a number of non-state core participants in various categories and is familiar with the work of the Inquiry. There appears to be no conflict of interest between his other clients and Tariq Ali. I shall designate Richard Parry as his recognised legal representative. Information has been provided to me about Tariq Ali's means.
3. They are not such that it would be an affront to place the financial burden of legal representation on the public. I shall make an award of costs under rule 20 and section 40(1) on the same terms as in the case of Richard Parry's existing clients.

Denise Fuller

4. On 23 May 2018, I designated Denise Fuller as a core participant in Category [H]. She applies for a funding award for legal expenses pursuant to rule 20 of the Inquiry Rules 2006 and section 40(1) of the Inquiries Act 2005. Her means are set out in a letter from Birnberg Peirce Solicitors dated 15 June 2018, which I will treat as an application for Harriet Wistrich to be Denise Phillips' recognised legal representative.
5. Harriet Wistrich is currently the recognised legal representative for thirteen core participants in Category [H]. Denise Phillips plainly has an interest in the Inquiry that is the same as or similar to those of Harriet Wistrich's present clients, and I accordingly make the designation sought. I am satisfied that she does not have the resources with which to fund her own representation and that her means are not such that it would be an affront to place the financial burden of legal representation on the public.

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6. Applying the principles set out in Sir Christopher Pitchford's rulings of 2 November 2015 and 16 December 2015, I am satisfied that an award should be made. It will be on the same terms as those set out in the Inquiry's letter to Birnberg Peirce dated 27 March 2018.

10 July 2018

Sir John Mitting
Chairman, Undercover Policing Inquiry