

IN THE UNDERCOVER POLICING INQUIRY

IN THE MATTER OF AN APPLICATION FOR A RESTRICTION ORDER

BY:

'Lizzie'

Core Participant

STATEMENT OF HARRIET WISTRICH

Name: Harriet Wistrich
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Age: Over 21

1. I make this statement in support of an application on behalf of the above core participant (CP) in support of her application for a Restriction Order (RO) under the provisions of 19(3)(a) and (b) of the Inquiries Act 2005. I am a solicitor employed by Birnberg Peirce and Partners and one of the CP's Recognised Legal Representatives.
2. 'Lizzie' has been designated as a Core Participant on account of her long-term intimate sexual relationship with an undercover police officer, Mike Chitty.
3. The exposure of Mike Chitty as an undercover officer has impacted on 'Lizzie' significantly. [REDACTED]
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[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
4. 'Lizzie' is a very private person who chooses not to share many personal details about her life with others, including close friends and family. She finds

the possibility of having her real name being put into the public domain in connection with such a personal matter as her relationship with an undercover officer incredibly distressing.

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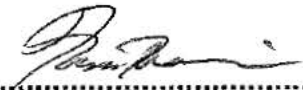
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[REDACTED] She strongly believes that if she is named in the Inquiry this significantly increase the anxiety that she is already experiencing and could seriously jeopardize her mental health.

6. Clearly, as set out in the application for anonymity, there is a strong argument as to the CP's right to protection of their privacy under Article 8 ECHR. Equally, there is an arguable right to anonymity under the provisions of the Sexual Offences (Amendment) Act 1992, by virtue of 'Lizzie' being a victim of sexual offences. Finally publication of her identity is not necessary to achieve any of the aims of the public inquiry.

I believe the facts stated in this Witness Statement are true.

Signed:


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Dated:

21/8/18.
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