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The Restricted Family

- 1. Two family members (the 'Restricted Family') apply to be designated as core participants in Category [F] as surviving relatives of a child whose name was adopted as part of the cover name of a former Special Demonstration Squad undercover officer. The Restricted Family were not aware that their relative's identity had been so used until informed by the Inquiry in March 2019. Discovery of that fact has caused damage to their health and well-being which subsists. Like all other surviving relatives of deceased children whose names were used by undercover officers, they are entitled to participate in the Inquiry so as to learn, to the extent that they can be told, of the reasons, if any, why their relative's name was chosen and what use was made of it.
- 2. I have been provided evidence of their means, which I accept. They are not such that it would be reasonable to require them to bear any part of the cost of participation in the Inquiry. They will need the advice and assistance of a solicitor to represent them. They wish Jules Carey of Bindmans to be designated as their recognised legal representative. Jules Carey acts for a number of other core participants in Category [F] and is thoroughly experienced in so doing.
- 3. For the reasons given, I will designate the 'Restricted Family' as core participants in Category [F], make an award of legal costs in their favour and designate Jules Carey as their recognised legal representative on the same terms as to costs as those which apply to his other clients in Category [F].

24 November 2022

Sir John Mitting
Chairman, Undercover Policing Inquiry