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Stephen the Events and transaction logs I sent you were for the whole of 01 Jan to 31st Mar 04. The transaction logs contain all transactions conducted at Marine Drive branch for this period of time. I also sent a product list that contained the varying product codes and therefore if Mr Castleton wants to go through the transaction logs and see which transactions relate to Girobank deposits or withdrawals this would be the only way to determine the info he requires, as we don't have any other information available to give him unfortunately. There would be usually a giro deposits and withdrawals report but I have never seen sight of these reports.

Looking at the events logs from the Horizon archive for Marine Drive which I also sent you, a balance snapshot was printed most days and some days more than once by both Christine and Lee throughout Jan to Mar 04. This report was not mandatory to be printed or retained, so they may well have printed it off and discarded it, as this is used as a rough guide to what the cash variances were compared to the cash on hand. I have never seen the balance snapshots and I don't know about Cath taking them away. Cath do you remember taking these??

In relation to the P242 I will ask audits whether they dealt with this and retained it. Glynn could you comment on the P242, would you have a copy of this for Marine Drive 213 337 from an audit that Helen Hollingworth conducted on 25th March 04 or comment on where I might retrieve this??

Regards

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Dear Vicky and Cath,

I attach a copy letter received on 7 June from Mr Castleton's solicitors, for your information. They have asked a few questions with which I could use your assistance:

1. They have stated that no giro deposits and withdrawals, declared cash/cash on hand receipts, miscellaneous transaction reports and balance snapshots have been disclosed post 9/10/11 March 2004. Am I right in thinking this is because we do not have them (because you have sent to me everything you have) and that in any event, as the transaction logs that Vicky sent to me record every transaction, they do not need the giros?

2. Castleton states that a complete set of balance snapshots for each days trading until this suspension was

produced and removed from the branch by Cath. Am I right in thinking that:

- (a) balance snapshots are not a mandatory report so Castleton wouldn't have had to print one for every day;
Castleton did not produce one for every day;
- (c) For Cath to have collected one for every day she would have had to attend the branch each day to print one off (because the data would have changed each minute of each day so presumably you couldn't attend the branch say once a week and print out historical balance snapshots);
- (d) Cath certainly wouldn't have had time to attend the branch every day; and
- (e) that the P.O sent me those snapshots that Cath removed (in the red folder)?

3. Finally, they have asked for a copy of the P242 form normally signed by an outgoing sub-postmaster on the audit and handover to an incoming sub-postmaster. Please can you recall whether Mr Castleton signed it and if so, please can you send to me a copy?

I look forward to hearing from you as soon possible.

Kind regards.

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