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15th November 2007

Investigation Team Post Office Limited

c.c. Graham Brander
Ged Harbinson
Dave Pardoe

REGINA v JOSEPHINE HAMILTON
(SOUTH WARNBOROUGH)
WINCHESTER CROWN COURT
MENTION - 19TH NOVEMBER 2007
CASE NO: POLTD/0506/0685

I refer to previous correspondence regarding this matter.

As you know there has been some discussion as to whether or not pleas to false accounting would be acceptable. I note this would be agreeable providing that Mrs Hamilton were to repay the full amount.

On Counsel's request this matter has been listed for Mention on the 19th November 2007. The purpose of this is to see whether or not the trial can be vacated. It is possible that Mrs Hamilton may wish to enter pleas to false accounting. I understand however that she is not yet in a position to repay and has not given a date as to when this can be done.

One option would be for the theft count to be left on file pending payment by the date of trial or some later date.

Ged

Could you let me have your views as to confiscation in this matter, and if appropriate the prospect of recovery under such an order. A copy of the Indictment is attached.

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