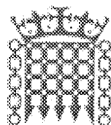


JONATHAN LORD MP



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Mr Davinder Misra

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08 December 2010

Dear Mr Misra

I enclose a copy of a letter that I have today written to the Director of HMP Bronzefield, concerning your wife, Seema.

I am also in touch with the Independent Monitoring Boards, who are responsible for overseeing prisons, who may be able to investigate your concerns if the Prison does not provide a satisfactory response.

I have also enclose a copy of a response I have received from the Minister, Edward Davey MP, about his meeting with Justice for Subpostmasters Alliance.

I will be in touch again when I have heard further.

Yours sincerely

GRO

Jonathan Lord MP
Member of Parliament for Woking

*P.S. I have just heard that a member of the
Independent Monitoring Board will visit your wife.*

Representing Woking Constituency

Helga Swidenbank
Director, HMP Bronzefield

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08 December 2010

Dear Ms Swidenbank

Re: Mrs Seema Misra of **GRO**

I am writing to you about my above named constituent, who is a prisoner at Bronzefield.

Her husband has raised several concerns with me, which I understand have been passed on to members of your staff.

The concerns are mainly to do with her health. Mrs Misra is **GRO** and I gather that a Senior **GRO** has expressed the opinion that prison is not a suitable environment for someone with **GRO**. She **GRO** from **GRO** **GRO** and **GRO**. Her husband, Mr Misra, was particularly concerned that at a **GRO** was not initially aware that **GRO** and **GRO** I her some **GRO** I enclose an email that I have received from Mr Misra concerning this incident.

Both my constituents feel that their concerns have not been appropriately dealt with and I hope that you will be able to write to me to confirm that suitable measures are being taken to resolve these issues, and that an appropriate level of **GRO**

Another concern that has been raised with me is **GRO** As a **GRO** which, I am told, is the **GRO** in the prison. I gather that she has **GRO** **GRO** that she should be **GRO**

I do hope you will look into these concerns and get back to me quickly.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely

Jonathan Lord MP

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6 December 2010

Dear Jonathan,

Thank you for your letters of 27 October and of 24 November enclosing correspondence from your constituent, Mrs Seema Misra of **GRO** the former subpostmistress at West Byfleet. I apologise for the delay in replying.

I have met representatives of the Justice for Subpostmasters Alliance (JFSA) and a number of points raised at that meeting are being followed up on my behalf. I did however make clear at the meeting that neither I nor the Department could intervene in cases which were sub judice or where court action had been determined, as in Mrs Misra's case.

Whilst the JFSA blames the Horizon system for the financial discrepancies and shortages which have led to a number of subpostmasters having their contracts terminated and subsequent court action, Post Office Ltd (POL) continues to express full confidence in the integrity and robustness of the Horizon system. They base this on the fact that Horizon has been operating for 10 years and typically processes 230 million transactions a month from over 30,000 counter positions in nearly 12,000 post office branches.

POL also categorically states that there is no remote access to the system or to individual branch terminals which would allow accounting records to be manipulated in any way. In addition, I understand that all system activity, down to the individual key stroke, is also recorded into a separate vaulted transaction file with every record encrypted and written to the log and with each record having a unique incrementing sequence number. This log is retained on a separate server independent of Horizon, is retained for at least

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seven years, cannot be altered in any way and all access to it is securely controlled. This approach is consistent with that of banking systems and provides a fully secure audit file which can show all system activity down to a single keystroke in a particular branch. I further understand that Mrs Misra's defence did in fact utilise an IT expert as regards comments made about the Horizon system before the Court reached its decision in her case.

GRO

EDWARD DAVEY