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23rd June 2006

Investigation Team Post Office Limited

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POST OFFICE LIMITED v SUZANNE LESLEY PALMER
SOUTHEND MAGISTRATES COURT
COMMITTAL – 3RD JULY 2006 AT 9.45AM
CASE NO: POLTD/0506/0619

The committal papers have been approved and served on the Defence Solicitors and Court. I enclose your copy, together with copy Form 14A.

Our Agents Messrs Sheldons Jenkins, Solicitors of 815 Southchurch Road, Southend on Sea, Essex SS1 2PP (Tel.No.) will prosecute at Southend Magistrates Court on the 3rd July 2006. The Officer in the case has retained the original witness statements. She should attend Court and hand the original witness statements to the Agents who have been instructed to hand them into the Court.

As soon as I am aware of the Defence requirements concerning witnesses I shall inform you. Please then immediately obtain leave dates/dates to avoid of all of those witnesses. When obtaining their dates to avoid, please let the witnesses know that it is of the utmost importance that if any of their dates change and, in particular, if a holiday is booked after they have given you their dates to avoid then they should inform you, or this Office, immediately. Please then return the file to this Office together with the dates to avoid.

As you are aware, under the Criminal Procedure and Investigations Act 1996, witness orders are abolished. It is therefore, your responsibility to ensure the voluntary attendance at court of witnesses, or to make arrangements to issue a witness summons from the Court if a witness whose attendance is required indicates that he/she is unwilling to attend.

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In accordance with the most recent Practice Direction seven copies of the antecedent documents must be prepared which must be sent to this Office. We shall then forward copies to the Crown Court.

Jarnail A Singh
Senior Lawyer
Criminal Law Division

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