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IN CONFIDENCE

Dear Sir Wyn,

RE: POST OFFICE HORIZON IT INQUIRY - MISS TRACY FELSTEAD/MR MICHAEL TURNER

I attended the hearing on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2022.

In the course of Miss Tracy Felstead giving evidence to the Inquiry, she referred to the expert witness who was originally instructed for her at the time of her prosecution in 2002, Mr Michael Turner. (I should say that the reference was without prompting from or discussion with me.) He was not called at her trial. I infer that this was on grounds of cost - though I have been unable to verify this.

I previously have had discussions with Mr Michael Turner in the course of preparing for Miss Felstead's appeal to the Court of Appeal, that was eventually allowed and her conviction was quashed in April 2021. I ceased to have any involvement in December 2020.

Mr Turner is to my mind a very experienced and capable expert witness. I am confident that had he been called at Miss Felstead's trial she would not have been convicted of theft (or any other offence).

What is perhaps most remarkable, is that Mr Turner retains his original papers from Miss Felstead's prosecution, which I have seen.

Mr Turner met with representatives from the Post Office and Fujitsu in 2002. It appears that objection was taken to the cost of the evidence that he considered to be necessary.

It may be that Mr Turner might be able to assist the Inquiry (his having previously been willing to assist the Court of Appeal). His email address is: [REDACTED] **GRO**

Yours sincerely,

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Sir Wyn Williams  
Chair  
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