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WITHOUT PREJUDICE

Dear Sir Roy,

**SCOTTISH CRIMINAL RECORDS OFFICE: OPEN AND INDEPENDENT
ENQUIRY**

I am writing to you privately and confidentially re the above subject.

As you are aware our many supporters and I have been involved over the past year in calling for an independent and open enquiry into my daughter's oppressive treatment at the hands of the prosecution system in Scotland and for a review of the Scottish Criminal Records Office.

You will also be aware that a number of your civilian fingerprint officers have had the honesty and integrity to support such an enquiry.

I appreciate the dilemma they were placed in. How could they stand by when a clear injustice was being perpetrated and the science of fingerprinting was falling into disrepute?

They would be aware that the Lord Advocate, Scotland's Chief Constables and SCRO, despite a growing body of evidence, have refused to take any action.

I trust they will be commended and not join other 'experts' in the UK and abroad who have been disciplined or threatened with discipline for exhibiting honesty and integrity.

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It is clear that this whole issue has moved well beyond any question of Shirley McKie's innocence or four fingerprint 'experts' guilt.

Despite what the 'spin-doctors' would have us believe her innocence and the 'experts' guilt was clearly established in the High Court in Glasgow in May of last year.

There has been a complete failure by the System to move to address the many important issues arising from this case. Now the intriguing question is – '**what is the present agenda and whose is it?**'

It might be that the answer lies in cases like that of David Asbury, which is already under appeal.

The longer this incredible saga continues however it becomes easier to identify other more sinister agendas. For the objective analyst a number of crucial questions remain unanswered.

Why should Shirley, myself, our family and supporters continue to put ourselves through the trauma of fighting an obdurate System if important principles were not at stake?

Why should the Scottish Prosecution System spend upwards of £500,000 in prosecuting my daughter, harassing her to the point of suicide and continuing to oppose a substantial body of evidence proving that something is seriously wrong with the handling of her case?

Why should this same System continue to act as if nothing requires examination and review when a Judge and Jury of the High Court and hundreds of fingerprint expert's throughout the world are saying otherwise? (I assume you have viewed the court transcript and the Internet debate at - <http://onin.com/fp>)

Why is there an orchestrated campaign to silence critics of SCRO? (I am informed that you have written letters of assurance.) Who is the conductor?

Why should foreign agencies be contacted from Scotland with requests that witnesses be silenced?

Why should foreign agencies seek to obtain the defence productions in Shirley's case?

Why are strenuous efforts being made at home and abroad to suppress comment and cover up the truth?

Why does the System refuse an open and independent enquiry that would clearly establish the truth?

So many questions and so few answers!

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With no one prepared to provide answers I have been forced to provide my own. Frankly they worry and concern me and are now in the hands of my lawyers. I do not believe that publicising them is in the best interests of justice in this country.

If they are aired in the public domain the responsibility will clearly lie with those individuals in the System who had the power but lacked the will to deal with the issues.

I am writing to you on a personal basis because, having known you for many years, I have always respected your honesty and integrity.

Are you aware of the broader agenda referred to above?

Would you please bring your influence to bear in resolving the present impasse?

Would you please add your voice to our call for an open and independent enquiry?

Yours sincerely,

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Iain A J McKie