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Dear Mr Taylor,

Sincere thanks for your prompt and courteous reply to my letter of 18, February, 2000.

I note that you will write again when you are able to provide further detail and that your report will be published.

I am also aware that my complaints against SCRO and Strathclyde Police will be dealt with through the Lord Advocate and Minister for Justice to whom they were addressed.

I am assuming however that the relevant questions about your Inquiry, as contained in my letter to these officials, will be answered by you.

The American defence fingerprint 'experts' Pat Wertheim and David Grieve will be in Edinburgh on 21 or 22, March. They are only too happy to meet with you or your representative and all of their work in connection with my daughter's case will be made available for your inspection.

It is my heartfelt belief that the action by the SCRO Executive in approaching you was forced on them by the strength of our case and by our determination not to be bullied. I believe they have never been motivated by a genuine desire to have the truth ascertained but by self-interest. If I am wrong in this I will be the first to apologise.

I only make reference to this because their record of delay and procrastination has generated an air of mistrust in the whole Scottish Prosecution System.

Your initial letter has gone some way to restoring my hope that at last an honest, independent and open investigation will be made into this matter.

It is in this positive spirit that I offer my wholehearted support to your Inquiry.

Yours sincerely,

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**Iain A J McKie**