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Dear Sirs

Operation Motorman/Associated Newspapers Ltd

We refer to the Chairman's ruling dated 10 July 2012. The purpose of this letter is to respond to the Chairman's invitation in paragraph 24 to state which of the three positions in paragraph 23 ANL adopts.

As a matter of courtesy regarding our letter of 14 June we apologise for any misunderstanding. It was not our intention to resile from the position confirmed on a confidential basis to the Inquiry in December 2011.

ANL therefore is happy to confirm that it adopts the second position set out in paragraph 23 of the Chairman's ruling, i.e. it does not advance a positive case contradicting the position that there exists prima facie evidence that journalists did act in breach of s 55 by obtaining information which, prima facie, could not be justified in the public interest.

Our clients have asked us to thank you for the opportunity to correct the "potential misunderstanding" referred to in your ruling.

Yours faithfully

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