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- 2. PS/Secretary of State (B&L)

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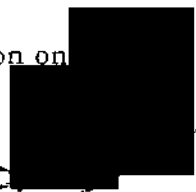
LETTER FROM THE INDEPENDENT COMMISSION ON POLICE COMPLAINTS  
ROSEMARY NELSON



Summary

Issue: To provide advice and lines to take on a letter from the Independent Commission on Police Complaints about Rosemary Nelson's complaints against the police.

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Timescale: For immediate consideration please.

Recommendation: That the Secretary of State write to the Chief Constable as soon as possible.

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Background

Rosemary Nelson is a high profile solicitor who has, inter alia, represented Colin Duffy and the Hamill family. It has been alleged by Ms Nelson, Colin Duffy and Lawyers Alliance for Justice, that during the interview of her clients the police have made death threats against her, as well as derogatory remarks about her. The complaints have been the subject of police investigations, under the supervision of the ICPC. Brief details of all current complaints involving Ms Nelson are given at Annex A.

- 2. Human rights organisations, such as Human Rights Watch/Helsinki, British Rights Watch (Jane Winter), the Committee on the Administration of Justice (CAJ), and most high profile of all, Mr Kumaraswamy in his report on the independence of judges and lawyers (5 March 1998), have all

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