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**ROYAL ULSTER CONSTABULARY**

Division J Sub-Division/Department LURGAN  
 Station/Branch ADMINISTRATION Date 11 MARCH 1998  
**SUBJECT: ROSEMARY NELSON, SOLICITOR - SECURITY**

**TO: DIVISIONAL COMMANDER**  
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I refer to the attached correspondence from the Northern Ireland Office and Superintendent, Command Secretariat.

Police at Lurgan do not have details of any threat there may be against Rosemary Nelson, nor do they know the nature of or reasons for the deep concerns the US Lawyers Alliance have about her safety.

The second paragraph of the correspondence from the Northern Ireland Office refers to, "her complaints about RUC threats etc." I can confirm that no such complaints have been made to Police at Lurgan but, perhaps this is a reference to comments she made to the Press.

If we are to advise Mrs Nelson in relation to her personal security then we need to be in possession of all the facts. At present the only reliable information is that contained in the attached threat assessment from the Detective Sergeant, Special Branch (Appendix A), and I do not consider it sufficient to base personal security advice on.

As a result of the Northern Ireland Office's concerns passed on in May 1997 and again in February 1998, Police personnel in Lurgan have been briefed as set out at Appendix B.

I recommend that the Northern Ireland Office and the US Lawyers Alliance be asked to supply precise details of any information in their possession about Mrs Nelson so that it can be properly assessed and appropriate security advice given to her if necessary.

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