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was required to provide such information by 28 November 1997 failing which a dispensation might have to be sought from the Independent Commission for Police Complaints under Regulation 17 of the Royal Ulster Constabulary (Complaints etc) Regulations 1988 on the grounds that a satisfactory investigation could not be completed on the evidence presently available. In a letter received from Ms Nelson dated 19 November 1997 she made brief reference to this particular complaint and her non attendance but the majority of the letter was taken up with other non associated matters. As a result of receiving this letter I spoke to Ms Nelson's Secretary, Tracey, on 1 December 1997 with a view to making a further arrangement for interview. She indicated that Ms Nelson might be available for interview on 15 December 1997 and that she would return to me with confirmation or otherwise that Ms Nelson would attend. On 3 December 1997 I sent a recorded delivery letter to the solicitor confirming this conversation and again pointing out that the delay in obtaining full details from the complainant may preclude the completion of a satisfactory investigation. The letter requested that the complainant provide details of any witnesses or any other relevant evidence. The complainant was required to provide such information by 25 December 1997. There was no response to this letter and Ms Nelson did not attend for interview at Craigavon RUC Station on 15 December 1997 as suggested. To date Ms Nelson has consistently failed to co-operate in any meaningful way with this complaints investigation. On 22 October 1997 whilst waiting for a response from Mr Beriault and Mr [REDACTED] I received a Press Release dated October 1, 1997 from Mr Edward

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