

Justice Committee

PE1370: Justice for Megrahi

Letter from Police Scotland to Robert Forrester

COMPLAINT ABOUT THE POLICE - JUSTICE FOR MEGRAHI COMMITTEE

I refer to previous discussions that you have had in respect of the complaint about the police raised by the Justice for Megrahi Committee and, given your position as secretary of that committee, provide the following by way of update in respect of your recent correspondence dated 30 January 2014.

I can confirm that I will be assuming the role of SIO (senior investigating officer) from this point forward and would request that any future correspondence that you may have been sent to myself directly. My contact details are:

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With regards to your question as to whether there has been any change in relation to allegations 5, 6, and 7 I can advise that recent developments in the live investigation have resulted in the conflict previously highlighted by former Deputy Chief Constable Shearer remaining unresolved for longer than expected. It is currently anticipated the conflict will be resolved before the end of March.

With regards to your requests to know how many officers are currently working on the enquiry and to know what stage the enquiry is. I am unable to provide you with definitive updates in relation to these questions as they are currently being reviewed by myself, having just taken over as SIO, and it would not be appropriate for me to comment until this review has been concluded.

I trust that you will find this information to be of assistance to you.

Stuart Johnstone
Detective Superintendent
17 February 2014