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Subject: Prosecution of Paul Dale

Shane,

This email is to formally advise you that it is the position of the Victoria Police that the committal proceedings for Paul Dale due to commence on Monday morning, only proceed on the counts that do not rely on the evidence of the witness I will refer to as Witness F. The reasons for this position is the risk to safety of Witness F, posed by the disclosure obligations.

I have also discussed today, Krista's sensible request for a comprehensive list from the Witness F source file to enable some disclosure to occur. I am advised this afternoon by our Source Handling Unit that such a list would take some days to complete properly. I cannot view this file myself and rely on advice on this issue.

If we only proceed on the non Witness F matters next week, I take it that Krista's request may not be necessary. If it still is necessary regardless then we would need an adjournment to respond appropriately.

I would be grateful for your views on this matter as soon as possible.

Best Regards

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