



RESTRICTION ORDER PURSUANT TO SECTION 19 OF THE INQUIRIES ACT 2005

The Chair has the power under section 19 of the Inquiries Act 2005 (“the Act”) to make orders restricting disclosure or publication of evidence and documents given, produced or provided to the Inquiry.

Any threat to break such an order, or any breach of it, can be certified to the High Court or Court of Session under section 36 of the Act, which will deal with it as though the breach had occurred in proceedings before that court, and may be punishable by a fine or committal to prison.

In exercise of the power, IT IS ORDERED THAT:

1. Unless express permission is given by the Chair of the Inquiry, or the Solicitor to the Inquiry acting on his behalf, the Report must be kept confidential and must not be disclosed or published in any form unless and until the Report is published on the Inquiry’s website. Any information contained within the report must not be repeated, disclosed, copied or duplicated to any third party unless that third party has also been granted early access to the Report and is aware of the terms of this Restriction Order.
2. This Order remains in force until the publication of the Report on the Inquiry’s website.
3. The Chair of the Inquiry may vary or revoke this Order by making a further order during the course of the Inquiry.

Dated 9th May 2024

Sir Brian Langstaff Chair