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[Requiring reply]

Dear Shadow Home Secretary, (copied also to my MP; and the journalist cited below);

I wrote to you earlier today, in connection with an interview I saw you give today on Sky News, in the immediate wake of the Hillsborough Inquest verdicts, in which you correctly referred to the Hillsborough Disaster as "one of" the UK's biggest miscarriages of justice in recent times.

However, I now note from the Liverpool Echo website (copy published today) that the journalist, Paddy Shennan, is quoting you categorically as stating (my emphasis): "This [Hillsborough] has been *the* greatest miscarriage of justice of our times."

Did you say this? Perhaps in another interview today?

Link: <http://www.liverpoolecho.co.uk/news/liverpool-news/justice-last-andy-burnham-reveals-11243915>

I have tried to contact Mr Shennan to gain clarification but it is impossible to make a connection with the Liverpool Echo newsroom today (understandable). Therefore I copy him into the contents of this mail.

That said, and as you will appreciate, I will not let even an hour rest in calling for a correction (if you have been quoted in error), or a retraction/clarification, if you have been quoted correctly. For that would be appalling. It is not a small detail or an irrelevant nuance.

We are at least 35 years into the campaign for justice and truth for those

slaughtered and infected in the Contaminated Blood Scandal and for their bereaved relatives. Our fight must go on. A tiresome part of that, but one which we will never shirk, includes correcting details such as that attributed to you in today's Liverpool Echo in order to inform public awareness of a scandal and cover-up (e.g. where did my father's medical records disappear to?, to cite but one part of the cover-up) that very few people are aware of the scale of, which is a compound scandal in itself. It has been difficult enough since the mid-1980s to get people to understand the sheer scale of the disaster that was/is the Contaminated Blood Scandal which has decimated my life since 1981, when I was just 11, when my father was effectively given a death sentence at the hands of the British State which you serve. It is now 22 years since his death in 1994, yet I, along with thousands of other families – starved of sustained public awareness of this scandal – am still no closer to achieving justice for my late father and bereaved mother. But like the Hillsborough families – whom we have actually been fighting for justice much longer than – we will never stop.

As I am sure that you well know, especially given your knowledge of the Contaminated Blood Scandal (also the debates you have attended in Parliament about the matter, and your presence on the APPG) it simply cannot be stated that the Hillsborough Disaster is *the* greatest miscarriage of justice of our times. You can **never** say this.

It is but one of them.

If you have now said that it is – after all that you have learned about the Contaminated Blood Scandal – then you will know what an insult that is to the memory of those 2,400 haemophiliacs and others so far slaughtered at the hands of the British State (a figure that could eventually rise to some 4,800) and to the families of those bereaved.

As you know, I never ask for a reply from you whenever I episodically contact you (although I always leave that up to you). As you also know from previous correspondence, I monitor your public words very carefully. Today's instance is a perfect case in point as to why I do.

However, on this occasion – and certainly in light of an email I sent to you in

September 2012 when I asked you to cease referring to Hillsborough categorically as the UK's biggest, or worst, miscarriage of justice/cover-up (or any such turn of phrase in that regard) – I would respectfully ask you to clarify the matter.

Accordingly, you will note that I have also copied my MP, Mr Rotheram, into this email in order to ensure this.

I trust you treat this matter seriously.

I await your response,

Yours sincerely,

Gregory Murphy, aged 49

- son of a now deceased, for 22 years, Hepatitis B and Hepatitis C positive, manslaughtered haemophiliac, whose fatal disease combination – which produced cirrhosis of the liver, aescites, oesophageal varices, encephalopathy, psoriasis, leg ulcers and liver cancer – was the direct result of being unwittingly contaminated after being treated with known (by the UK state) infected NHS blood products, so producing a disaster that was the 14th biggest in UK peacetime history that has so far resulted in the deaths of 2,400 people from among a cohort of 4,800 infected with either HCV, HBV, HIV or a combination - and yet has scandalously never been subject to an official judicial enquiry, despite over 35 years of campaigning.

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