

IN THE MATTER OF THE INFECTED BLOOD INQUIRY
BEFORE SIR BRIAN LANGSTAFF

SUBMISSIONS ON BEHALF OF COLLINS' CLIENTS

following paragraph 9 of the Determination
relating to Phase 2 Hearings covering the period 24th – 28th July 2023

Pursuant to s.14 of the Inquiries Act 2005 and notwithstanding the proposed provision of the final report in the Autumn of this year the Chair should notify the Minister in due course that the Inquiry has not fulfilled its terms of reference and will not be able to do so until:

1. The Inquiry has been given an opportunity to consider and insofar as thought necessary to hear further evidence relating to the Government response to the Second Interim Report relating to both the issues of compensation and psychological support and in particular the provision of a bespoke Psychological Service in England and Wales.
2. It has become clear to the Inquiry whether as a result of subsequent events or otherwise by the passage of time that the provision of compensation and psychological support are in reality a Government priority.
3. The Department of Health and Social Care provides a full and particularized explanation of the apology which it provided to the Inquiry at the opening Hearings.

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