

Fwd: Seeking Update [SEC=OFFICIAL]

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Hall - as per our discussion this morning please address this issue ensuring Ms Yates is at least provided sufficient advice either directly or in accordance with the agreement by ACTDPP to manage the victim in this matter, to enable her to consider how to shape the advice to Ms Higgins if appropriate based on the actual circumstances.

Please ensure you advise that you are responding on my behalf as I will be responding to Ms Yates in the morning indicating that she will receive advice against the preliminary advice from the ACTDPP. If the preliminary advice of the ACTDPP to Ms Yates as stated by Ms Yates is inconsistent with discussion or agreement on this with our team, please ensure this is reflected and I will also address with the Director through a phone call.

Best regards,

Peter

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Peter,

Thank you for the opportunity to briefly discuss this morning what I understand to be a substantial privacy breach in the Higgins matter. I am yet to receive any information from your team in relation to this.

As discussed, I will need to update Ms Higgins tomorrow (Friday) morning at the latest regarding what I understand has occurred, based on preliminary advice I have received from the DPP.

My priority is to ensure Ms Higgins has the clearest possible information regarding the nature of the breach. Any written advice available from your team prior to 10am tomorrow morning would be most welcome, particularly in relation to written confirmation regarding:

- * Whether her protected records were indeed served on the defence.
- * If so, what documents were served, on what time/day, and with whose authority.
- * What steps ACTP have taken to remedy this breach, including whether written confirmation has been obtained from defence in relation to:
 - * whether defence have destroyed/deleted the records and any notes or copies taken in relation to these protected records;
 - * whether defence has disclosed receipt of these records to any other person;
 - * whether defence has shared the records with the accused, or informed the accused that they have been received.

I am of course highly concerned about the likely impact of this news on Ms Higgins and await your team's advice.

Regards,

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