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Following my last letter to you dated 19 June 2009 regarding Gosport War Memorial Hospital I wrote to Andrew Lansley CBE MP, Shadow Secretary of State for Health to ask for his comments on the situation.

I thought that you may wish to read his reply and I therefore enclose a copy for your reference.

Yours sincerely

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Enclosure

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Thank you for your letter regarding Gosport War Memorial Hospital.

I have looked carefully at the various press reports and parliamentary exchanges on this issue.

Given the length of time that has passed already since the incidents in question, the fact that there have already been seven separate inquiries into this matter, and the often protracted nature of public inquiries, I am not convinced that this is the right option to get to the bottom of events at Gosport War Memorial Hospital.

However, I believe that it is clearly in the interests of the families concerned and the wider public for Professor Richard Baker's report to be published. I know that Sir Peter Viggers received a response to a parliamentary question from Ann Keen indicating that the Government will publish the report at some point in the future. It might be beneficial to write to the new Secretary of State to press him on the reasons for the delay, and to urge him to publish the report as soon as possible.

Please do get in touch if you wish to discuss this matter further.

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