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Dear Secretary of State,

I am writing to you on behalf of many concerned constituents who wish to establish the truth surrounding a number of deaths that occurred at the Gosport War Memorial Hospital in the 1990s.

As you will be aware, at least twelve elderly patients died at the hospital as a result of being given unsuitable medication which it is alleged unnecessarily hastened their deaths. For fourteen years, relatives have been trying to find out exactly what happened to their loved ones. I realise there has been a GMC investigation and a CPS review, however, both have fallen short of fully addressing the systems which failed, leaving the potential for such a tragedy to reoccur.

Talk of a 'cover up' is getting louder amongst the local community, with people suggesting that vital evidence may have been withheld. We now know that the inquest into the death of one of those patients; Mrs G M Richards will take place in Portsmouth commencing 9 April 2013 and is due to end on 19 April 2013. May I urge the Secretary of State to ensure that it is of paramount importance that the withheld mortality figures are published immediately that Inquest is over.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely,

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