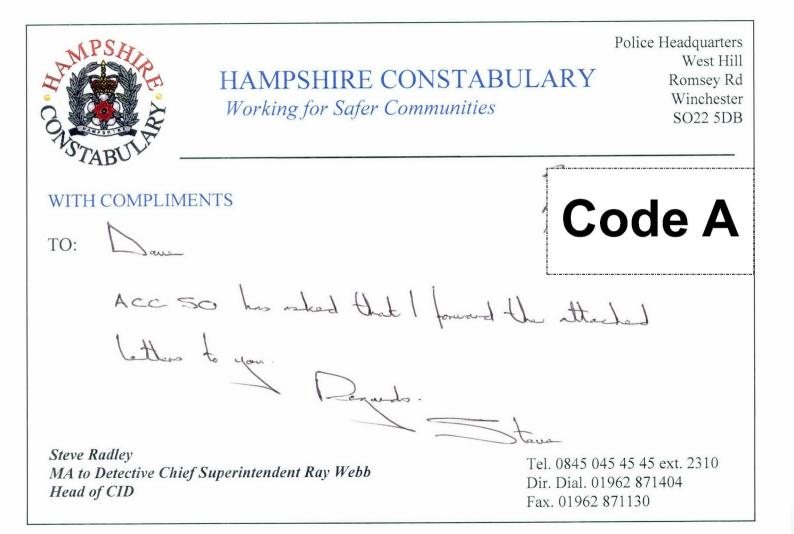
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26 July 2007

Dear Steve

General Medical Council - Dr Barton Operation Rochester

I hope this letter finds you well. I am writing to you about Dr Barton! As you may know, although your force have completed their investigation, the GMC is now looking at the case. The matter was initially going to be dealt with by Eversheds solicitors but in recent weeks a decision has been made to transfer the matter to ourselves.

My colleague, Sarah Ellson, who is a partner in our Manchester office, will be responsible for preparing the GMC case and I enclose for your information a copy of her letter to Detective Superintendent Stephenson with whom I understand the GMC have been liaising.

Since I had previously advised your team on the matter I wanted to let you know, as a matter of courtesy, of my involvement now. I cannot see any difficulty in my acting since the material we will be relying upon is that which has been disclosed by you to the GMC.

Please let me know if you have any questions. Otherwise please send my best wishes to Nigel and the other members of the Rochester team.

Kind regards

Yours sincerely

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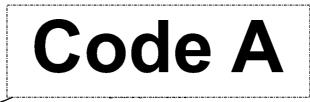
Thank you for your letter dated 26 July 2007 regarding these matters. I note your new role in preparing the GMC case in respect of Dr Barton and I am grateful for you informing me of this.

For your future information, the SIO leading for me on this is Detective Superintendent David Williams - he will not be as delighted as D_____Code A_____hat you have recognised the talents of the latter and have promoted him by several ranks.

I will of course pass on your best wishes to Nigel and the Rochester team and look forward to meeting again in the future.

Best regards

Yours sincerely



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