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Dear Margaret

Temporary Redeployment

Thank you for your letter of 7th February 2003.Iam grateful to you for updating me on the current position with the various Gosport investigations. As we have previously frequently acknowledged it is an extremely complex situation and it is absolutely correct that it is appropriately and thoroughly investigated.

I am pleased to confirm my wish to return to my substantive duties as Chief Executive of the PCT as soon as is practically possible .As you know this has always been my wish. Although I am sure we all would have preferred this to have coincided with a completed management review given the now projected timescales for this I think we agree this would not really be viable.

As we have discussed I suggest my official return date should be 3RD March and that I use any spare time I have available before then to get up to speed with the issues the PCT is facing by making contact with John and members of the Senior Management Team.

I am also grateful for your proposal that we discuss what short term support I may need to help me with my return .I would like to pursue the use of a mentor and /or on going access to a Personal Development Adviser.

I confirm my agreement not to involve myself in the PCT's management of, or response to, the Gosport investigation .I also acknowledge the Polices request that I do not discuss the investigation with any individual that I know or believe to be involved with the investigation and confirm my intention to comply with this safeguard .

I would like to close by thanking you, and the Board for your ongoing support and encouragement and of course everyone involved in keeping the PCT moving forward in the right direction during my absence.

As you say there are many challenges and opportunities now facing the PCT and I am looking forward to working with yourself and colleagues at the PCT once again.

Yours Sincerely

