

**In the matter of an investigation into the death of
Mr Saeed Radhi Shabram Wawi Al-Bazooni**

Inspector: Baroness Heather Hallett

NOTICE

Public Hearings of 17 & 18 March 2020 will not be going ahead.

The Inspector has been closely monitoring the position relating to the COVID-19 virus, as it relates to witnesses both in the UK and overseas.

Although the Inspector has made every effort to proceed with the Public Hearings scheduled for 17 and 18 March 2020 with a view to progressing the Investigation, it is with regret that she has taken the decision that proceedings will not be going ahead until a time that they can take place.

The Inspector has been informed that developments in Basra placing a curfew on civilians in Iraq mean that the witness scheduled to give video link evidence on 17 March 2020 from a location in Basra will be unable to do so, and the family of the deceased will be unable to participate by video link in the proceedings on either scheduled date. Upon considering representations made on behalf of the family, the Inspector does not consider it appropriate to take oral evidence without their participation.

The Public Hearings of 17 and 18 March 2020 will not be going ahead in any event as a matter of practicality during this time. Information regarding the progress of the Investigation will be published on the IFI website. The Inspector intends to keep the current situation under review.

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