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# RE: Re: Amnesty International communications

To Julia Lowis <julialowis@3harecourt.com> • Ben Dustin <ben.dustin@iraq-judicial-investigations.org> Copy Diana Eltahawy <diana.eltahawy@amnesty.org>

Dear Julia

Apologies again for the delay in response.

In response to your requests, I'm attaching a response we received which is an additional document we were able to locate. We couldn't I'm afraid locate a copy of the police report you referenced. Sorry to be able to provide further assistance here.

#### Best regards

## Nick



From: Julia Lowis [mailto: JuliaLowis@3harecourt.com]

Sent: 09 December 2016 16:45

To: Nick Williams < nick.williams@amnesty.org>; Ben Dustin < ben.dustin@iraq-judicial-investigations.org>

Cc: Diana Eltahawy < diana.eltahawy@amnesty.org > Subject: RE: Re: Amnesty International communications

Hi Nick,

Apologies to chase, but have you found a definitive answer on this? We are moving towards completing the report, so your help is much appreciated.

Best, Julia

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From: Nick Williams [nick.williams@amnesty.org]

Sent: 28 November 2016 10:53

To: Julia Lowis < JuliaLowis@3harecourt.com >; Ben Dustin < ben.dustin@iraq-judicial-investigations.org >

Cc: Diana Eltahawy < diana.eltahawy@amnesty.org > Subject: RE: Re: Amnesty International communications

Hi Julia – absolutely, will get back as soon as I can

Nick

From: Julia Lowis [JuliaLowis@3harecourt.com]

Sent: 28 November 2016 10:49

To: Nick Williams < nick.williams@amnesty.org >; Ben Dustin < ben.dustin@iraq-judicial-investigations.org >

Cc: Diana Eltahawy < diana.eltahawy@amnesty.org > Subject: RE: Re: Amnesty International communications

Dear Nick,

That's great – it would help us in any case to know if there aren't any further documents which you hold or any record of the categories of sources, so many thanks in advance for double checking that for us. I look forward to hearing from you,

Best,

Julia

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From: Nick Williams [nick.williams@amnesty.org]

Sent: 28 November 2016 09:15

To: Julia Lowis < JuliaLowis@3harecourt.com >; Ben Dustin < ben.dustin@iraq-judicial-investigations.org >

Cc: Diana Eltahawy < diana.eltahawy@amnesty.org > Subject: RE: Re: Amnesty International communications

# Dear Julia and Ben

Sorry for the delay in responses on this. I've been travelling with work.

We are working on your follow up queries on this case. Having consulted our records previously we couldn't locate anything further to help with your queries, but I am double checking and will get back. Thanks for your patience.

Best regards

Nick

From: Julia Lowis [JuliaLowis@3harecourt.com]

Sent: 25 November 2016 14:10

To: Ben Dustin < ben.dustin@iraq-judicial-investigations.org>; Nick Williams < nick.williams@amnesty.org>

Cc: Diana Eltahawy < diana.eltahawy@amnesty.org > Subject: RE: Re: Amnesty International communications

Dear Nick,

Further to the emails from myself and Ben Dustin below, can you please let us know whether Amnesty is in possession of information which is relevant to the investigation into the death of Mr Naser, and which formed the basis of the letter dated 29 May 2007. We are not asking for the identity of the sources, but if the information contained in the letter was based on particular reports, please let us know the general category of those reports (e.g. whether media or newspaper reports, or reports by individuals). This information will allow us to determine whether or not there are lines of inquiry which warrant our further investigation.

Further, can you let us know whether Amnesty holds a full copy of the IPS police report, in particular the statement of Najm Aboud?

I look forward to hearing from you, and many thanks for your assistance in this regard,

Best,

Julia

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----Original Message----

From: Julia Lowis

Sent: 09 November 2016 16:02

To: 'Ben Dustin' < ben.dustin@iraq-judicial-investigations.org >; Nick Williams

<nick.williams@amnestv.org>

Cc: Diana Eltahawy < diana.eltahawy@amnesty.org > Subject: RE: Re: Amnesty International communications

Dear Nick,

Further to Ben's email below and original request to Diana, are you able to confirm whether Amnesty holds a full copy of the IPS police report which was referred to in the April 2007 letter? Although the report has been disclosed to us, it appears to be incomplete, in particular as it refers to a statement from Najm Aboud, an IPS policeman, which is said to be enclosed but which we have not been provided with.

Please let me know if Amnesty holds a full copy of the report,

Best,

Julia

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----Original Message----

From: Ben Dustin [ben.dustin@iraq-judicial-investigations.org]

Sent: 04 November 2016 10:35

To: Nick Williams < nick.williams@amnesty.org>

Cc: Diana Eltahawy < diana.eltahawy@amnesty.org >; Julia Lowis < JuliaLowis@3harecourt.com >

Subject: RE: Re: Amnesty International communications

Dear Nick,

Many thanks for getting back to me. We understand Amnesty's policy not to share sources and the reasoning behind that policy. At the same time, if you are able to provide further information regarding the origins of the account which was contained within AI's 2007 letters, in particular whether this was based on accounts from eye-witnesses to the scene, this would greatly assist the IFI's inquiry, since at this stage we are conducting a review of all of the existing evidence in the case in order to determine whether there are any viable lines of inquiry which would merit further investigation. We have not however been provided with any existing contemporaneous evidence which corroborates the account which I have quoted below, therefore any further information which you are able to provide would be of much assistance to the Investigation.

I have copied in Julia Lowis who is the barrister assisting in this investigation. I should be grateful if you would copy her into future correspondence.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards,

Ben

> On 27 October 2016 at 12:57 Nick Williams < <u>nick.williams@amnesty.org</u>> wrote:

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> Dear Ben
> I'm the General Counsel at Amnesty international.
> Could you please send all future correspondence to me on this.
> As Diana indicated it is our policy not to share our internal
> information with external parties (in particular the identity of our
> sources), for reasons regarding the sensitivity of that information
> and the various duties/implications which arise, as I'm sure you will appreciate.
> Within these constraints I will consult with Diana and others on a
> response to your specific questions below.
> Thank
> Nick
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> Get Outlook for Android< https://aka.ms/ghei36>
> From: Ben Dustin
> Sent: Thursday, 27 October, 12:10
> Subject: RE: Re: Amnesty International communications
> To: Diana Eltahawy
> Cc: Nick Williams
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> Hi Diana,
> Was just wondering if there had been any update on this?
> Kind regards,
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> Ben
> On 19 October 2016 at 21:24 Diana Eltahawy < diana.eltahawy@amnesty.org > wrote:
> Hi Ben,
> As per Amnesty International's methodology, I can only share the
> sources of our information upon obtaining consent. I will see if that
> will be possible and get back to you.
> Best wishes,
> Diana
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> ----Original Message----
> From: Ben Dustin [ben.dustin@iraq-judicial-investigations.org]
> Sent: 19 October 2016 14:59
> To: Diana Eltahawy < diana.eltahawy@amnesty.org>
> Subject: Fwd: Re: Amnesty International communications
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> Dear Diana,
> In your letter dated 29 May 2007 it was stated as follows:
> 'Amnesty International wishes to raise with you the case of Ali Salam
> 'Abdul Hassan al-Rukabi, an Iraqi student aged 18 who was shot dead in
> a Basra district, reportedly by UK troops. According to information
> that we have received, on 10 April 2007 Ali Salam 'Abdul Hassan
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> al-Rukabi was visiting his uncle's house in Hay al-Muhandissin
> (Engineers' district) in al-Qibla, west of Basra. As he stepped
> outside the house, and according to witnesses, he was shot, apparently
> by a UK soldier from a tank positioned in the same street. A neighbour
> who heard the shot came out of his house and rushed Ali Salam 'Abdul
> Hassan al-Rukabi to Basra's General Hospital where he was pronounced
> dead on arrival. He had sustained a fatal shot to the forehead above
> his left eye. His family said that Ali Salam 'Abdul Hassan al-Rukabi
> was not carrying any kind of weapon at the time when he was shot.'
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> Please disclose the source of the information on which the above
> summary was based. Please also supply us with copies of any witness
> statements made or witness accounts which were provided to Amnesty, as
> well as the details of those said to have been witnesses to the
> incident.
> Kind regards,
> Ben
> ----- Original Message -----
> From: Ben Dustin < ben.dustin@iraq-judicial-investigations.org >
> To: Diana Eltahawy < diana.eltahawy@amnesty.org>
> Date: 19 October 2016 at 12:53
> Subject: Re: Amnesty International communications
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> Hi Diana,
> Thank you. Did you receive any replies to these letters? If so please
> could you forward these to us, together with the Iraqi police report
> referred to in the May 2007 letter?
> Kind regards,
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> Ben
> On 19 October 2016 at 10:47 Diana Eltahawy
> < diana.eltahawv@amnestv.org>
> wrote:
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> Hi Ben,
> As requested, I am attaching two letters sent by AI in 2007 in Ali's
> case, with apologies for the delay.
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> Best wishes,
> Diana
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