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**James Gerard** 7/9/2016 17:01

## RE: Investigations into the deaths of Captain Hassan and Mr Naser

To Ben Dustin <a href="mailto:sen.dustin@iraq-judicial-investigations.org">ben.dustin@iraq-judicial-investigations.org</a> Copy John Grealis

Dear Ben.

I am writing to inform you that further to your e-mail of 18 July below, after consulting the Director of Public Prosecutions and the Director of Service Prosecutions, the Attorney General has agreed that similar assurances to those given in Kevin McGinty's letter to Sir George Newman of 4<sup>th</sup> August 2014 can be given to those soldiers giving evidence before Sir George in the investigation into the death of Captain Hassan and Mr Naser. The letter of 4<sup>th</sup> August is not specific to any particular deceased so no new letter is needed.

Thanks, James

----- Original Message -----

From: Ben Dustin < ben.dustin@iraq-judicial-investigations.org >

To: John Grealis

Date: 18 July 2016 at 16:39

Subject: Investigations into the deaths of Captain Hassan and Mr Naser

Dear John,

Further to your email dated 19th February 2016 (attached for ease of reference) in respect of Iraq Fatality Investigations (IFIs), I am emailing to inform you that Sir George has been appointed to investigate two new cases. Those cases are the investigations into the deaths of Mr Captain Abdul Hussan Taleb Hassan who died on 17 December 2004, and Mr Ali Salam Naser who died on 10 April 2007.

I am accordingly writing to request a similar assurance to that given in the matters of Mr Said, Mr Abdullah, Mr Salim and Mr Ali regarding the non-use in any subsequent prosecution of self-incriminating evidence given to the IFI in the Investigations into the deaths of Captain Hassan and Mr Naser.

Following your previous request to inform you of the identity of soldier witnesses, in the case of Mr Naser, at present the papers do not disclose the identify of any soldier who it is alleged fired and killed a civilian. As and when any further information arises we will send it to you. In the case of Captain Hassan, a list of soldier witnesses is attached.

A response to this request as soon as possible would be highly appreciated so that the assurance is in place when soldiers give their evidence and / or sign their statements.

I trust this is satisfactory, if there is anything else you require please do not hesitate to let me know.

Kind regards,

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