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Gold Group

Phone Hacking

Thursday 21st October at 1400hrs

Room 556 (ACSO Office) – Victoria block, NSY

1. Persons present

AC Yates (Chair)	JY
DAC Osborne	SO
Cmdr Martin Hewitt	MH
DCS Philip Williams	PW
DSu Dean Haydon	DH
DSu Kevin Southworth	KS
DSu Mark Ponting	MP
Emma Harraway	EH
Sara Cheesley	SC

2. Actions from previous meeting

ACTION - NS to circulate note of the meeting to the Gold Group. Completed.

ACTION - NS to draft new MP's letter and to review previous DLS responses to MP's to establish if a fresh letter is required. Additionally, new victims letter to be sent to DH for him to action. Ongoing.

ACTION - DH to make contact with Chris Bryant and to assess the information and whether further investigation is required. NS to forward DH any relevant information. Completed; no longer required.

ACTION - PW to consider 'reconstruction' of seized data (pictures etc) to give the PCS an understanding of the investigation and challenges. SC and MH to act as critical friends. Ongoing

ACTION - PW to liase with Jack Wraith (and telephone companies) to establish which victims they informed and cross compare with MPS list. If victims remain outstanding consideration of joint letter (MPS and telephone companies) to inform them accordingly. Ongoing; PW letter to Jack Wraith now drafted

ACTION - SC to draft response to 'Despatches'. Completed.

Action: PW to provide details to JY of notifications to potential victims. Covered as agenda item below. Completed.

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Update: Draft completed by PW. To be reviewed by MH. Ongoing

3. Updates on various strands

Operation Varec

DH gave progress report re witnesses spoken with.

Letters sent to Dispatches, Guardian, Independent and NoTW.

No new evidence at this stage.

Parliamentary committees

No update on HASC

SCD Investigation

MP has met with CPS and early view is that there will be NFA

Management of additional requests - DLS/FOIA

FOIAs being managed by KS with assistance from group

Legal letters being managed by DLS - ongoing

Original investigation - Operation Caryatid issues.

No further update

4. Crown Prosecution Service

Second meeting scheduled tomorrow.

5. DLS issues

Letters awaiting final sign-off before sending

6. Media

No update

7. Stakeholder management

JY managing.

8. AOB

Nil

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9. Next meeting

To be considered, date to be confirmed.