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1. I write this supplemental witness statement further to my statement dated 22 February 2012 and to my appearance before the Leveson Inquiry on 6 March 2012.

2. On 6 March 2012 I was asked questions by Counsel to the Inquiry, Robert Jay QC, concerning whether or not I was aware that News of the World had placed Mr Cook and Jacqui Hames under surveillance and that in about 2004, Southern Investigations were allegedly gathering evidence on senior MPS personnel, some of which related to their private lives. The answers I gave to the Inquiry was that I was not aware that News of the World had placed Mr Cook and Jacqui Hames under surveillance or the fact that Southern Investigations had gathered personal details on MPS personnel. I also stated I could not remember anyone mentioning to me at a later stage the fact that News of the World

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had placed Mr Cook and Jacqui Hames under surveillance.

3. I understand that Mr Fedorcio will say that he informed me of a meeting which took place at New Scotland Yard on 9 January 2003 between Commander Baker, Detective Superintendent Cook, Rebekah Brooks and Mr Fedorcio. I am also now informed that after the meeting, Mr Fedorcio arranged for Rebekah Brooks to attend a press reception at New Scotland Yard that I was present at.

4. This may well be an accurate account but I have no recollection or note of either their meeting or the content of what was discussed.

5. If the content of the meetings was as I have now been informed, I would expect there to be a formal record of it on the relevant case correspondence file.

I believe the facts stated in this witness statement are true

Signed..

Dated.................23/3/2013...........