

17th January 2012

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Cardiff 1

Dear Sirs,

Re: Maurice Kirk v South Wales Police

You are aware that Mr Kirk was held in custody at Tottenham Police Station on the 18th September 2011 and that various medical reports, particularly the medical reports prepared by Dr Tegwyn Williams in R v Maurice Kirk (the machine gun case) were sent to Tottenham by the South Wales Police.

On the basis of the information provided to them Tottenham Police took steps to try and have Mr Kirk sectioned under the Mental Health Act. That information, of course, included the suggestion in Dr Williams' report that Mr Kirk was suffering from brain damage that had a significant effect on his capacity to monitor and control his behaviour. This report was based in part on information provided by Professor Rodger Wood in a letter dated 18th September 2009. In that letter Professor Wood states his own view based on an MRI scan, although he openly admits that "obviously I will defer to the opinion of a neuro-radiologist in respect of this interpretation of the MRI scan...". In the event, subsequent reports from those more expert in interpretations of MRI scans and Professor Wood concluded that Mr Kirks scans did not show any degree of brain damage.

You will appreciate that it is extremely damaging to Mr Kirk for medical reports suggesting he has brain damage to remain in open circulation when the information contained therein is not supported by more expert interpretations of the relevant brain scans.

Can you please, then, provide us with copies of the correspondence that passed between the South Wales Police and the Tottenham Police in respect of Mr Kirk and, in particular, provide us with information concerning precisely what documents were sent to Tottenham. Can you also please prevail upon the South Wales Police that it is entirely inappropriate for outdated medical reports prepared for an entirely different case to be freely circulated in circumstances where doing so might be extremely damaging to Mr Kirk's interests. We would be grateful if you could please obtain your client's assurances that this will not occur again.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Yours Faithfully