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Rt Hon Lord Mackay of Clashfern The Lord Chancellor Lord Chancellor's Department House of Lords LONDON SW1A OPW

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Dear James.

NORTHERN IRELAND INQUESTS

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Thank you for your letter of 12 March.

On consideration, I agree with your conclusion that, in the light of the welcome decision of the House of Lords on the "compellability" issue, we would not be justified in introducing legislation, for the time being at any rate, to deal with any other aspect of coroners' law in Northern Ireland.

I am sending copies of this letter to the recipients of yours.

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