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## SUPPLEMENTARY STATEMENT

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The Inquiry has asked for comments that I "may have on the evidence given by Professor Cash on Wednesday 11 January with regard to the role of the former at the meeting of 12 June 1991... page 113 of the transcript" I have examined pages 113 and 114 of the transcript of 11<sup>th</sup> January, 2012 in an effort to understand what is the question being put to me in this request. I assume "the former" refers to me.

In page 113, lines 17 and 18, the questioner examining Professor Cash suggests that I was "mooting" something. Professor Cash's reply is cut short by the questioner who in line 20 and 21 proposes that what I was mooted was the immediate start of testing without telling the Common Services Agency. In line 21, Professor Cash says "that's what emerged as a proposition."

As I read the transcript, it does not indicate that Professor Cash said anything that directly refers to my own contribution to this part of the discussion.

In evidence given earlier I have stated my reasons for believing that it is most unlikely that I or any other senior BTS person would have recommended that testing be started without informing the CSA.

Elsewhere in the transcript of 11<sup>th</sup> January there is reference to the Newcastle BTS making a "UDI" to start testing. In reality, the Director in Newcastle would have had to have the agreement of his Regional Health Authority to have the funds released for a new testing programme. The National Director of SNBTS would similarly have had to have the approval of the CSA.

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