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I would like to confirm our meeting with Dayan Chanoch Ehrentreu, Head of the London Beth Din (Court of the Chief Rabbi) at 9.00 am on Friday, 26th March 1993 at Dayan Ehrentreu's home at 1 Highfield Gardens, London NW11. The purpose of the meeting is for you to brief Dayan Ehrentreu on the subject covered in your memo, of which he has a copy, in order that we can come to a view on our strategy for structuring the appeal. We have decided in principle that the appeal should go ahead and we are therefore only concerned with determining the right team and the right approach in order to maximise our chance of success.

I have been taking soundings on the question of advocacy. Those of us who were present at the meeting at Hampstead would be comfortable and confident with your personal advocacy at the appeal. However, we are getting some pretty strong recommendations that we should be instructing a barrister, possibly a silk. This is for both positive and negative considerations. On the one hand, there could well be finer points of law that arise from this rather unusual case and, on the other hand, that as a Committee answerable to a wider public, we could be indefensibly criticised if we were perceived to lose for not taking a barrister. I still have an open mind on this question and of course we will discuss it when we meet on Friday. The name that has been particularly recommended is David Wooley.

If you would like any further background, please give Graham or me a call.

Best wishes

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