Dear Mr Donovan

Shell Smart Card Consortium

Thank you for your letter of 8th July with its enclosure. You have offered to amend any information in the draft letter that I feel is inaccurate, but it is rather difficult to know where to start amending it. The whole letter is predicated on the false premise that the visit of Mr Phillips, which has been acknowledged to have been carried out as part of enquiries authorised by my client, is in some way connected to the anonymous telephone call that you received. As you know, there have been several categoric assurances given to you and your solicitors that this is not the case. If the letter is to be factually correct therefore, it must reflect the fact that these incidents are completely unconnected.

Similarly, when you say that I have “withheld evidence that potentially may relate to a criminal offence”, you do not make it clear that this is purely a personal belief of your own which you maintain in the face of the categoric assurances to which I have already referred.

I have no doubt that these are factual corrections which you would choose not to make.

I note your proposal to distribute material outside these offices. You did not in fact enclose a copy of that material. No doubt you have received advice from your solicitors on the risks attendant on this course of action. I and my firm reserve all rights in respect of anything that may be contained in such material.

Yours sincerely

COUN JOSEPH

cc: Royds Treadwell