

The Fingerprint Inquiry – Initial Hearings

Initial Hearing

Date: Monday 20 October

Time: 10:30am

Venue: The Exhibition Hall, Glasgow Royal Concert Hall, 2 Sauchiehall Street, Glasgow, G2 3NY. Enter via north entrance on Killermont Street (leads directly to the Exhibition Hall)

Chairman: The Inquiry Chairman, Sir Anthony Campbell.

Initial Hearing – 20 October 2008

The hearing is open to the public. Doors are open from 9:30am and the hearing is scheduled to commence at 10:30am. It is not expected to be of a long duration.

It is anticipated that core participants and their legal representatives will attend. Seating will be reserved for them near the front of the hall.

Media representatives are welcome to attend. An area in the public seating area will be identified for them.

By law, (the Inquiries Act 2005) it is a matter for the Chairman to decide whether or not proceedings at an inquiry may be recorded or broadcast. Sir Anthony has decided to permit the filming of his opening statement. A platform for fixed cameras will be available at the venue. There will be an opportunity for still photography at the end of his opening statement.

Procedural Hearing – 21 November 2008

A Procedural Hearing is scheduled for the morning of Friday 21 November commencing at 10:30am in The Exhibition Hall at Glasgow Royal Concert Hall. More information about this hearing will be available at, and after the Initial Hearing.

Media attendance

The Inquiry will operate in as open, accessible and inclusive a way as possible. There may however be occasions when, in order to facilitate its work, in the interest of fairness

or if other legal considerations demand it, the Inquiry will sit in private. Where possible, advance notice will be given to media.

Media wishing to attend the Initial Hearing should contact Elise Clayton on 0141 248 0451 or email: press@thefingerprintinquiryscotland.org.uk

Transcripts

A transcript of the Initial Hearing will be available on the website within a few days. It is intended that the opening statement will be on the website the next day.

Confidentiality and publication

Submissions, transcripts and relevant documents will be published on The Fingerprint Inquiry website at: www.thefingerprintinquiryscotland.org.uk However, at the Chair's discretion, some information may not be made publicly available, for example when dealing with confidential or sensitive information or where consent to disclosure has not been given by affected parties.

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