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Dear

**Gatso Type 24 Radar Speed Detection Devices: Site Installation and Commissioning**

I refer to my letter of 29 July 1996 and to our conversation at Moreton in Marsh on 26th September 1996.

As a result of an enquiry from the Home Office there is a need for the Committee to adequately look into the mechanism by which use of the trailer mounted fixed cabinet came into being. In addition to the initial query concerning the Type Approval of such use there is an obvious potential for conflict between the stringent guidelines for the siting of fixed installations and the ease with which the trailer mounted device could be wrongly located. It cannot, in my view, simply be acceptable because the Police are doing it. We are equally accountable.

I understand Serco were producing a guideline document which would provide your engineers or agents with the necessary information to correctly identify suitable sites for the use of the Type 24 Radar in the fixed installation roadside cabinet and (when still employed by Serco) had agreed to supply the Committee with a copy.

I would be grateful if you could furnish either Dr. Lewis or myself with a copy of this document and a copy of any manual supplied by Gatso or Serco for operators of trailer mounted fixed installation cabinets such as the one used at Moreton in the Marsh on 26 September 1996.

In addition I would welcome any copies of correspondence with either the Committee or The Police Policy Directorate (Operational Policing Policy Unit) you may have in connection with this adaptation of what was perceived as a fixed installation and quite separate from the Type Approved attended tripod mounted use of the Gatso Type 24 Radar.

Yours sincerely

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