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Dear Mr Ellery

Tyrone Ashley Lock Deceased

Thank you for letter received today that included a Regulation 28 report following the death of Mr Tyrone Locke. I am aware that Insp Hepworth my Operations Centre Manager has been working alongside local staff and your office to provide information and testimony.

I feel that it may be useful at this time to update you on our efforts to assist learning from this tragic event at both a local level with West Mercia Police and across England and Wales.

██████████ the NPAS Assistant Operations Director for this Region has already contacted West Mercia Police to support them in a Critical Incident debrief for this tragic event. ██████████ will offer his opinion, supported by my Senior Leadership Team of any improvements in awareness or training that may further benefit the force.

On Friday 14 October I am attending the NPAS Independent Assurance Group. In brief this is part of our governance structure and represents six Assistant Chief Constables who represent the Regions of England Wales and is also attended by Chief Constable Simon Byrne the National Police Chief Aviation lead. I will discuss this matter with them and seek their assurance that they are testing the processes and procedures within their Region

This matter will also be reported upon to the NPAS Local Strategic Board for further consideration. This Board is attended by the Chief Constable and Police and Crime Commissioner for West Yorkshire Police. They will consider what, if any further action is required to share the potential lessons learned in this case.

Should you require any further detail, please do not hesitate to contact me directly.

Yours sincerely

Chief Superintendent
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Chief Operating Officer

