

Inquest Touching the Death of Alexander PEREPILICHNYI

Mr Richard Travers H.M. Senior Coroner for Surrey

Directions Following the Pre-Inquest Review Held on the 2nd June 2016

In these directions Interested Person/s shall be referred to as IP/s.

Jury

- 1) HM Coroner shall issue a written ruling as to whether or not he intends to summon a jury in the Inquest.

Disclosure

- 2) On further consideration, the issue of whether Mr Perepilichnyy had any contact with the UK intelligence services prior to his death shall not be the subject of further requests to Surrey Police or to HM Government. HM Coroner shall issue a written ruling in this regard.
- 3) HM Coroner will arrange for the following steps to be undertaken:
 - a. Service on the Interested Persons of the redacted copies of the Gold Group meetings;
 - b. Service on the Interested Persons of correspondence between Kew and Surrey Police from 15th May 2015 to date;
 - c. Enquiries of St George's Estate Security Office in relation to the hard-drives provided to the court by Surrey Police;

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d. Requests be made to the National Crime Agency and the UK National Central Bureau for them to provide to the Court details of any information in their possession pertaining to:

- i. Threats to the personal safety or life of Mr Perepilichnyy in the period 1 January 2012 to 10 November 2012;
- ii. Third party involvement in the death of Mr Perepilichnyy on 10 November 2012; and
- iii. Contact between Mr Perepilichnyy and any of the following 5 individuals in the period 1 and 11 November 2012:

1. Andrei Pavlov
2. Vladlen Stepanov
3. Validol Lurahmaev
4. Akhmad Khamidov
5. Dmitry Klyuev

Public interest immunity

- 4) Any evidence and submissions the Government wishes to make in support of a PII application in respect of the gist shown to HM Coroner on 27th May 2016 must be provided to the Court, in open and/or closed form, by 4pm on Friday 10th June 2016.

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- 5) Surrey Police do make available as required by HM Coroner:
 - a. The unredacted 63 page bundle; and
 - b. The unredacted minutes from the Gold Group Meetings.
- 6) Any Interested Person wishing to make written submissions in response to the applications in respect of PII shall do so by 4pm on 1st July 2016.
- 7) Any further written submissions by the Interested Persons or the Government in response to the submissions made by 1st July 2016 shall be served by no later than 4pm 8th July 2016.

Witnesses

- 8) HM Coroner will seek statements from the following persons in respect of any knowledge they may have as to the motive to kill Mr Perepilichnyy, any threats made to him, and the circumstances surrounding his death:
 - a. Rishat Ismagilov;
 - b. Francois-Roger Micheli;
 - c. Andrei Pavlov.
- 9) HM Coroner will seek statements from:
 - a. Dr Paul Rice;
 - b. Ian Elgeti;

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- c. DC Burden;
- d. Daniel Weller (SECAM);
- e. Adam Heywood (SECAM).

10) HM Coroner shall seek a report from Dr David Rouse together with any notes from his post-mortem examination.

11) A statement from Mr Russ Whitworth shall be served by the Insurers on the Court and on all other IPs by 4pm on 1st July 2016.

12) In respect of paragraph 35 and paragraph 36 of the written submissions by Hermitage Capital Management dated 27th May 2016, statements or reports shall not be sought from any persons other than those identified in this order above.

The hearing

13) Inquest bundle indices shall be agreed between the Interested Persons and served on the Court by no later than 29th July 2016.

14) By 1st July 2016 the Interested Persons shall:

- a. Provide final submissions on additional witness requirements; and
- b. Estimates as to time required for the examination of individual witnesses.

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Next PIR

15) A further PIR shall take place at 10.00am on 6th September 2016 at which the following matters shall be addressed:

- a. Any claims for public interest immunity;
- b. Case management; and
- c. Any other business.

R. Travers
HM Senior Coroner for the County of Surrey

2nd June 2016