

**Mr Jim Wallace QC MSP,  
Deputy First Minister and Minister for Justice,  
The Scottish Executive,  
St. Andrew's House,  
Regent Road,  
EDINBURGH EH1 3DG**

**8, Glendoune Road,  
Clarkston.  
GLASGOW G76 7TT.**

**10, July, 2000.**

Dear Mr Wallace,

I refer to my letter of 26, June, 2000.

For the sake of completeness and so that you will be aware of all aspects of my daughter's case I have enclosed a copy of a recent letter from Mr William Rae, President of ACPOS along with my reply.

I have found the actions of Mr John Orr, the Chief Constable of Strathclyde, hard to fathom over the past three years. I sincerely believe that a considered intervention by him early in the proceedings could have stopped the bullying and degradation that undoubtedly occurred.

His latest actions in promoting two of the Police Officers whose evidence will be central to the ongoing Lord Advocate's and ACPOS investigations appears to lack humanity and objectivity.

I personally am deeply hurt by his actions and can only guess at Shirley's reaction when she returns from holiday.

My daughter's allegation is that she was ostracised, arrested and brutalised. To see two police officers who might have played a part in this being rewarded and promoted without any open and independent investigation is hard for me as a father to stomach.

Given that most of the structure now appears to be in place to allow a full investigation of all aspects of the Marion Ross murder enquiry I will do everything in my power to assist this end.

Thank you for your interest in this matter. It appears as if your interventions have been extremely important in finally opening this whole matter up to independent investigation.

Yours sincerely,

.....  
**Iain A J McKie**

**Encl:**

**Copy: Mr Michael Russell**