



RESTRICTION ORDER

RESTRICTION ON THE PUBLICATION OF MATERIAL PURSUANT TO SECTION 19 OF THE INQUIRIES ACT 2005

This Restriction Order is made pursuant to section 19(2)(b) of the Inquiries Act 2005 (“the Act”), read with section 19(3) of the Act.

On 6 December 2023 the Lead Solicitor to Module 2A of the Inquiry conveyed to Core Participants by letter private medical information regarding the former Chief Medical Officer for Scotland Dr Catherine Calderwood (“the M2A Letter”) in order to update them on her ability to participate in the work of the Inquiry for the foreseeable future and to seek any representations which they wished to make.

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

1. The **disclosure** of the M2A Letter to individuals who are **not** Core Participants in Module 2A who have returned a signed undertaking to the Inquiry is **expressly prohibited** by this Order. For the avoidance of doubt, disclosure of the M2A Letter to Module 2A Core Participants who have returned a signed undertaking is permitted.
2. The **publication** of any of the information contained in M2A Letter is **expressly prohibited** by this Order.
3. This Order remains in force for the duration of the Inquiry and at all times thereafter, unless varied in accordance with the provisions of section 20(3) or (4) of the Act.
4. Any person affected by this Order may apply in accordance with section 20 of the Inquiries Act 2005 to vary its terms.
5. Any threat to break such an order, or any breach of it, may be certified to the High Court or Court of Session under section 36 of the Act.

PENAL NOTICE

The High Court and the Court of Session have the power to imprison or fine for any breach of this Order.

The Right Honourable Baroness Hallett
Chair of the Covid-19 UK Inquiry

6 December 2023