

# Grenfell Tower Inquiry

## GRENFELL TOWER INQUIRY/METROPOLITAN POLICE SERVICE

### ADDENDUM TO MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

#### General

1. This addendum to the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) dated 27 September 2017 addresses additional issues which are relevant to the relationship between the MPS and the Inquiry as the Inquiry progresses into Phase 2 of its work.

#### Disclosure from the MPS

2. The MPS will continue to provide weekly Phase 1 disclosure to the Inquiry in accordance with Annex 1 and paragraph 14(a) of the MOU and in response to any additional requests from the Inquiry until the conclusion of the Phase 1 report writing.
3. The MPS will not provide weekly disclosure for Phase 2 of the Inquiry.
4. If the Inquiry requests disclosure from the MPS of documents relevant to Phase 2 of its work, or if the Inquiry wishes to ask the MPS to conduct searches for material which is potentially relevant to Phase 2 of its work, the Inquiry will seek the disclosure from the MPS with sufficient particularity that it enables the MPS either to produce the documents quickly and easily or else to explain what response is viable and over what timescale.
5. The MPS will use its best endeavours to respond to requests for assistance with disclosure/searches from the Inquiry within such timescales as are reasonable bearing in mind the volume of the material held by the MPS and the complexity of its investigation, including its data ingestion processes.
6. The MPS will share the proposed schedule of data ingestion on to its data processing system with the Inquiry and will respond to requests for that schedule to be adjusted to take into account the Inquiry priorities.

#### Disclosure by the Inquiry

7. The Inquiry will give the MPS 14 days' notice of any requests for witness statements which it proposes to send out pursuant to rule 9 of the Inquiry Rules 2006, to enable the MPS to make any representations regarding those requests.

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8. Paragraph 20 of the MOU states that the Inquiry will seek consent of witnesses and document providers prior to the production of material to the MPS. In some circumstances the MPS may ask the Inquiry to provide copies without seeking consent, and will specify the reason for that request. The Inquiry will consider each request on its particular facts and decide whether the balance of public interest considerations allows production to be made on that basis.

## **Liaison**

9. The provision of information in accordance with paragraph 6(b) and (c) and discussions under paragraphs 18(c) and (d) of the MOU are the subject of an information sharing agreement (“ISA”) whereby the MPS and GTI have agreed processes for the secure sharing of information, necessary to protect the rights of individuals and to avoid tipping off of suspects. The ISA will not be disclosed to Core Participants or published on the GTI website.

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