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FAO Founder of Shomrim Reverend Efrayim GOLDSTEIN

**Dear Sirs** 

I write in relation to Dane Messam, who on the 9<sup>th</sup> March 2022 was convicted of the murder of Helen Anderson. This case was incredibly complex and involved a huge number of enquiries being undertaken.

I am the Senior Investigating Officer who was in charge of the investigation. I wanted to express my gratitude to all of you who helped us during the early stages of our investigation. You played a crucial role in helping us identify locations for CCTV enquiries, and led us to key evidence which formed part of the prosecution case during the trial. I know that some of you provided statements to us regarding sightings of the bus and the occupants during that weekend back in August 2021, and providing us with those accounts meant Messam had less opportunity to lie.

My officers were so appreciative of the help you gave them; driving them around to identify key locations and helping them familiarise themselves with the local area. Given that we are officers from Surrey and Sussex, working in London is not our usual work and your expertise was gratefully received.

I understand your work closely Metropolitan Police, and it is truly inspiring to learn about what you do to protect your community and help those in need.

We are incredibly grateful to you all for the part you played in helping us get justice for Helen. Her family are so thankful to everyone involved in this case.

Yours sincerely

**Emma Vickers** 

Detective Chief Inspector

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