

**INQUESTS ARISING FROM THE DEATHS
IN THE WESTMINSTER TERROR ATTACK OF 22 MARCH 2017**

**IOPC NOTE IN RESPONSE TO THE AGENDA AND COUNSEL TO THE
INQUESTS SUBMISSIONS FOR PRE-INQUEST HEARING ON 2 July 2018**

1. The IOPC is an interested person to the inquest into the death Khalid Masood only. It will be represented at the PIH and Mr Lovatt, the lead investigator, will also be in attendance. However, as explained below, it does not intend to be represented at the inquest itself.
2. As set out in its note for the Pre-Inquest Hearing on 15 January 2018:
 - a. The IOPC's investigation into Mr Masood's death has concluded and a copy of the Lead Investigator's report has been provided to the Chief Coroner in redacted and unredacted form, together with a list of all material retained by its investigation.
 - b. Not least because the investigation has finished, the IOPC considers that its role in the inquests should be limited to assisting the Chief Coroner by ensuring that evidence from its investigation is made available. Therefore it does not intend to be represented at the inquest itself, subject to review if IOPC witnesses are to be called and/or matters arise which require it to make representations.
 - c. IOPC material not already disclosed to the Chief Coroner largely duplicates material in possession of the MPS investigation and questions or requests regarding it would be dealt with by continued liaison with the MPS and the solicitor to the Chief Coroner.
3. The IOPC believes it has made all relevant disclosure but will continue to liaise as appropriate with MPS and the solicitor to the Chief Coroner.
4. On the information presently available, including the draft witness list, it remains the case that the IOPC does not intend to be represented at the inquest. It is intended that a member of the investigation team will be present to assist with evidence if required; this will be subject to review and further liaison with the solicitor to the Chief Coroner as to its necessity.
5. The IOPC has no submissions to make in relation to the matters set out in the agenda or in response to the note from counsel to the inquests.

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