

reluctance he adjourned the case until 19 March but required that there should then be some form of finality.

33. On Tuesday 2 March 2004 Gerry Simpson QC consulted with Andrea McKee at DPP Headquarters. Also present were Ivor Morrison, D/Con Patricia McKee and [REDACTED] from PSNI Southern Region Crime Squad. They each took notes of the consultation. The relevant contents of the consultation are set out in Mr Simpson's advices to the Director of 16<sup>th</sup> March. Mr Simpson's conclusions are set out in the final 3 paragraphs of his advices.
34. In a minute to the Director of 16 March, Mr Morrison has indicated that he concurs with Mr Simpson's views.
35. The case is due to be mentioned again in Craigavon Court to-morrow 19th March 2004 before [REDACTED]. In the absence of satisfactory evidence supporting the information given to the court on 22 December 2003 about the nature and seriousness of Andrea's son's illness, it is probable that [REDACTED] would be unwilling to allow the proceedings to proceed further. If the views expressed in Mr Simpson's advices are accepted there is no basis upon which the prosecution might seek to persuade him that further proceedings would be viable.

Ivor Morrison  
Assistant Director  
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