



**Judge D Marshall**  
CHIEF CORONER

4 November 2021

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By email [ellist@tonyellis.co.nz](mailto:ellist@tonyellis.co.nz)

Dear Dr Ellis

**Inquiry into the deaths of Khaled Mwafak Alhaj-Mustafa & 50 others**

I refer to your email of 3 November 2021.

Thank you for advising me that you are representing Mr Tarrant. I have been writing to him directly as I believed he was unrepresented in the coronial matter. He has been treated as an interested party since my investigation began. I attach four letters previously sent to him. You will note that he was addressed by name in those letters.

I do not agree that the use of a prescribed term in the Minute is a "serious breach of human rights" and nor is it relevant to the scope of this inquiry. Just like all interested parties, Mr Tarrant will have an opportunity to be heard on the scope of the inquiry if he chooses to.

I can confirm that the Minute was sent to your client yesterday morning, before we received your email.

I have noted your unavailability on 15 and 16 December 2021. Coroner Windley advises that she will be able to hear from you remotely on 14 December 2021.

At this stage, I do not see the need for a teleconference before the hearing on scope in mid-December, but as noted in the Minute, you are invited to make written submissions on scope on behalf of your client to be received by 26 November 2021.

**Judge D Marshall**  
Chief Coroner