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**Dear Mr Bennett**

Thank you for sending me a copy of your letter of 16 August 2008, which was delivered yesterday. I hope that by now you will have received my letter of 15 August. May I take this opportunity to apologise that, although I returned your telephone call on more than one occasion last week, I neither received a reply nor any opportunity to leave a message.

I look forward to hearing from you. I agree with your view that it would be preferable if the hearing listed for 26 August did not have to go ahead, although I will attend on behalf of the Trust if it does take place. As you know I will then be away from 1 - 16 September inclusive.

Yours sincerely

  
Melinda Stone (Mrs)  
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