COMMISSION OF INQUIRY NO. 1 OF 2005 MEDICAL BOARD OF QUEENSLAND

This is the annexure marked "MDG-40" mentioned and referred to in the Statement of MICHAEL STEVEN DEMY-GEROE dated this 17th day of May 2005.

File Note

Date: 30 March 2005

Re: Dr Jayant Patel (1030450)

I spoke to Mr Peter Leck, District Manager of the Bundaberg Base Hospital seeking confirmation of the conditions to be imposed by the District onto Dr Patel's employment. Mr Leck advised me the Dr Patel had verbally advised that he would not take up the contract on 1 April 2005. I asked Mr Leck to put something in writing to the Board and he informed me that until Dr Patel put something in writing to the District or until it was 1 April 2005 that he would be unable to do so. He asked that I call again on 1 April 2005 where a definite answer as to Dr Patel's position at Bundaberg Base Hospital would be available.

Duncan Hill

Registration Officer

File Note

Date: 1 April 2005

Re: Dr Jayant Patel (1030450)

I received a phone call at 8.30am from Sue in Medical Administration at Bundaberg Base Hospital, trying to find out if Dr Patel's registration had been renewed as it had expired yesterday (31 March 2005). I advised Sue that the Board had not made its decision and Dr Patel continues to be registered until they did so. I then asked to be transferred to Mr Leck, District Manger of the Bundaberg Health Service District as he had information that I needed regarding Dr Patel's application for renewal.

I was transferred to Mr Leck and he advised that he had no news or written information from Dr Patel and whether the doctor had decided to not accept his new contract. I told Mr Leck that I found it unusual that I had received a phone call trying to confirm registration, when no decision had been made by Dr Patel. Mr Leck agreed and advised that he will investigate the matter and call me back today.

I rang Mr Leck again at 11.00am trying to ascertain the outcome of his investigations this morning regarding Dr Patel, he advised that Dr Patel had been in his office all morning and that Dr Patel could not make up his mind as to whether to accept the position or not. Dr Patel had regularly made a decision only to change his mind later. Mr Leck informed me that Dr Patel had left his office with the intention not to accept the position but warned me that Dr Patel would probably change his mind. I asked Mr Leck that with this information is there still a position at Bundaberg Health Service District for Dr Patel? He said that it depended on Dr Patel's decision to accept the contract as to whether there was a position or not.

Duncan Hill

Registration Officer