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## Dear Mr Donovan

I have your fax of 23 June. As you know we have tried to direct all correspondence through D J Freeman but I hope you will accept my direct response as an indication of how seriously all of us take your most recent allegations of threats having been made at our instigation.

So far as the visit of Mr Phillips is concerned, and his instructions, we will, as D J Freeman have said, co-operate with the police to the utmost extent. They are the only competent people to carry out an investigation into the alleged criminal acts. We are confident that no criminal act was committed by anyone acting with Shell's approval. We do not think it appropriate for us to deal with the police through you or your solicitors but would welcome a direct approach.

You and your potential witnesses may rest assured that no intimidatory threats have come from or been authorised by Shell. We are as keen as you are to find the perpetrator who we suspect was trying to use you as the unwitting conduit for falsehoods about Shell.

So far as the detail of your letter is concerned, it substantially repeats material contained in Mr Woodman's letter to D J Freeman who will be replying.

Yours sincerely Shell U.K. Limited

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