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Senior Public Prosecutor

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Dear Sir

THE CASE OF JOJI OBARA

I have been authorised by Mrs Jane Steare to communicate the following message to you and to the Court trying the case of Joji Obara.

Mrs Steare would like the Court clearly to understand that her former husband Mr Timothy Blackman acts for himself alone. In the event of his accepting any payment or compensation from the defendant, the defendant's family or lawyers, Mrs Steare wishes to record that neither she nor her children are represented by Mr Blackman. Any arrangements Mr Blackman may make, or statements he may submit to the defence lawyers or to the Court, are entirely a matter for him alone and do not in any way have her support or authority.

Mrs Steare wishes the Court to know that she is prepared to assist the Court in any way she can to bring the trial to a conclusion which gives justice to her daughter Lucie Blackman.

Yours faithfully

Edward McEvoy
First Secretary and Her Majesty's Consul at Tokyo

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