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Scotland	Scotland <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Northern Ireland	Northern Ireland <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Special Hospitals	Special Hospitals <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Private Sector	Private Sector <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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Dear Colleagues

COMPLAINTS TO THE CERTIFICATION OFFICER

There are two applications to the Certification Officer which have been made against the POA:

1. Lakhibir Dosanjh v POA – is a complaint regarding the Deputy General Secretary Election. The complaint is that Mr Joe Simpson should not have been permitted to be a candidate in the election. The complainant was a candidate in that election (whilst at Feltham, he is now a member at Huntercombe). The Certification Officer has listed the case for a hearing 28th May 2019. The National Executive Committee will be defending this case.

2. Gareth Archer v POA - is a complaint to the Northern Ireland Certification Officer concerning the Vice Chair election in Northern Ireland. The complaint is about alleged irregularities in the nomination process. The complainant in this case is Mr Gareth Archer of Hydebank Wood. The National Executive Committee will defend this case in conjunction with the Area Committee.

Updates will be given to the membership once available to the Executive.

Yours Sincerely

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General Secretary