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To: Buick, Boris
Cc: Frewen, Michael
Subject: RE: Op Oboe further req [OPISEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

Good morning Boris,

I will get back to you with advice asap.

Thanks

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From: Buick, Boris [mailto:[REDACTED]]
Sent: Friday, 2 March 2012 14:14 PM
To: Martin Hardy
Cc: Frewen, Michael
Subject: Op Oboe further req

Hello Martin,

You may recall that on 6 October 2011, pursuant to a formal request, the OPI disseminated a body of material to VicPol, addressed to me, arising from OPI's Operation Oboe.

I have attached a copy of the covering letter accompanying the material.

<<OPI Op Oboe dissemination report 6 10 11[1].pdf>>

At Paul DALE'S Supreme Court trial, set down to commence on 20 August 2012, it is anticipated that DALE will argue that a 7/12/08 conversation he had with GOBBO (which GOBBO audio recorded) is subject to legal professional privilege and therefore inadmissible.

The prosecution will argue that the conversation is not subject to the privilege.

Senior Sergeant Tim ARGALL is likely to be called as a prosecution witness at DALE'S trial, as he was to DALE'S committal. At DALE'S committal ARGALL gave evidence favourable to DALE'S

privilege claim but then himself claimed privilege in terms of his own conversations with GOBBO and so avoided explaining the assertions made during his evidence.

ARGALL'S 20/07/07 OPI examination provides the appropriate context of ARGALL'S relationship with both GOBBO and DALE and his own claim of privilege.

Should ARGALL'S trial evidence be similar to his committal evidence, the prosecution (Commonwealth DPP) would be substantially aided by being able to draw ARGALL'S and the court attention to ARGALL'S OPI evidence.

Does the scope of the attached dissemination letter allow me to provide a copy of ARGALL'S OPI evidence to the Commonwealth DPP for that purpose, or do I need to seek a further dissemination. If so, I seek that further dissemination.

For consideration please.

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