

Day 102 - Wednesday, 5 April 2023

Report of DR STAVROS STIVAROS (read)

MR ASTBURY: The next statement, in fact, is a report from Dr Stavros Stivaros, dated 26 October 2020, who is a specialist paediatric neuroradiologist, and provided a detailed report, which we've been able to edit simply to include the summary of his findings, which are at page 45.

In his summary of findings, Dr Stivaros says this:

"[Baby Q] was born prematurely. Although he was transferred to the neonatal intensive care unit, the clinical narrative appears to suggest he was well with no signs of respiratory distress or collapse until the morning of 25 June 2016 when he took a sudden and unexpected deviation in his clinical condition and required ventilatory support to recover.

"I defer to my neonatal expert colleagues' assessment in regards to him having suffered

a significant hypoxic ischaemic event at that time, but the imaging findings could be explained by such an event having occurred. The scan also needs to be taken in the context of a possible infection.

"My understanding of the clinical findings and reports are that no significant infection was seen in [Baby Q], but again I defer to clinical opinion in this regard."