

24.158 The draft letter provided for Tom King's approval had been amended and cleared by the Permanent Secretary, Sir Michael Quinlan. The draft letter suggested that Tom King should state that he was "*greatly disconcerted*" by the police comments. The draft did, however, make clear that, despite the differing conclusions of Sir John Stevens and the MoD, the proposed review of agent-handling should not involve "*a detailed inquiry into differing interpretations of particular past incidents*".<sup>98</sup> There appears to have been no appetite within the MoD for any critical examination of either their analysis of Nelson's value as an