

## THE LAMPARD INQUIRY

#### **RESTRICTION ORDER**

# PURSUANT TO SECTION 19 OF THE INQUIRIES ACT 2005 Restriction Order No.6 (Anonymity Order – "FD2")

The Chair has the power under Section 19 of the Inquiries Act 2005 ("the Act") to make orders restricting disclosure or publication of evidence or documents given, produced or provided to the Lampard Inquiry. The Chair will exercise this power in accordance with the Inquiry's Protocol on Restriction Orders, Redaction, Anonymity and Special Measures, which can be found on the Inquiry website.

Any breach, or threat to breach, such an order can be certified to the High Court under Section 36 of the Act and may be punishable by a fine or imprisonment.

### <u>Background</u>

A Restriction Order application has been received from an individual who wishes to give evidence to the Inquiry anonymously ("the Applicant"). In considering this application, the Chair has had regard for the factors set out in Section 19(4) of the Act and the Applicant's specific circumstances. Having done so, she has concluded as follows:

- 1. There is nothing to suggest that imposing the restriction sought would in any way inhibit the allaying of public concern.
- 2. There is a risk of both psychological and physical harm to the Applicant and their family that could be avoided or reduced by the restriction.
- 3. Not imposing the restriction is likely to impair the effectiveness of the Inquiry because the Applicant has been identified as a vulnerable witness (as per the Inquiry's 'Protocol on Vulnerable Witnesses') and as such, is unlikely to provide evidence to the Inquiry without the benefit of anonymity.



The Chair is therefore satisfied that granting anonymity is conducive to the Inquiry fulfilling its Terms of Reference and is necessary in the public interest.

### Individual Restriction Order

In exercise of the power under Section 19 of the Act, IT IS ORDERED THAT:

- The Applicant's name, address, date of birth and any other identifying information (such as their image or a description of their appearance) shall not be disclosed or published in any form, unless express permission is given by the Chair, or the Solicitor to the Inquiry acting on her behalf, in writing.
- 2. The Applicant must only be referred to, whether in writing or orally, as "FD2". This will be inserted in place of their name in all statements and evidence for the purposes of the Inquiry.
- 3. The disclosure and/or publication of any evidence that the Applicant submits to the Inquiry will be restricted in such a way as to prevent their identity becoming known by reference to the substance of their evidence.
- 4. This Order remains in force for the duration of the Inquiry and at all times thereafter, unless otherwise ordered.
- 5. The Chair may vary or revoke this Order by making a further order during the course of the Inquiry.

Dated 6 September 2024

**Baroness Kate Lampard CBE** 

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Chair to the Lampard Inquiry