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Date: 13 February 2001  
Our ref: RP/MacHALE/M124-001

John Blavo  
Barrister (Call. HE.), LLB (Hon.), LL.M.

Dear Ben

**Re: R -v- Emma Emily MacHale**  
**Middlesex Guildhall Crown Court**  
**23<sup>rd</sup> April 2001 - Trial**

I am currently defending Ms MacHale on a charge of violent disorder, which allegedly took place shortly before 5 p.m. on the south-east corner of Trafalgar Square on May Day last year. She has pleaded not guilty on the grounds that her conduct was reasonable in the circumstances and also that the police were acting unlawfully in surrounding and trapping everybody in Trafalgar Square for between 3-5 hours.

I am looking for potential witnesses to:-

- (1) The police "snatch squad" arrest at approximately 4.55 p.m. on the south-east corner of the Square
- (2) The clearing of the base of Nelson's Column at about 6 p.m.
- (3) The general conduct of the police from 3 p.m. onwards.

Your name has been passed to me as one of approximately 120 people whose names and addresses were taken by the police exercising their purported powers under Section 60 of PACE, being the right to stop and search people in a designated area without necessarily having reasonable grounds.

I would therefore be most grateful if you would contact me to tell me about your experiences on May Day.

I hope to hear from you soon.

Yours sincerely

*RP R Parry*

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