

MEDIA ADVISORY

TO: MEMBERS OF THE MEDIA
FROM: SHEKU BAYOH INQUIRY MEDIA MANAGER

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Media pool arrangements for hearing

A Sheku Bayoh Inquiry hearing will be held on Friday 26 May 2023 at 10am to play a short piece of pre-recorded evidence from witness Alan Paton.

Following [a decision by Lord Bracadale published on 12 May 2023](#), there is a restriction order in place for this hearing which means that media attendance is restricted to a pool.

Representatives from PA and the BBC will attend and share copy with other media organisations. We also plan to publish a transcript of the hearing as soon as it is available on [the Inquiry's website](#).

The restriction order for the hearing, the terms of which are published in the first part of the Chair's decision, has been made under section 19 of the Inquiries Act 2005. Please note its terms also mean:

- live and future public broadcasting of the recording on any medium, including social media, is prohibited;
- members of the public are not permitted to attend the Inquiry while the recording is played.

NOTES TO EDITORS

- Any media organisations not subscribed to PA can still access the pooled copy for this hearing on request. Please contact the PA Scotland desk at pascotland@pa.media. Broadcasters can request BBC copy at glasgow.newsorgs@bbc.co.uk
- The recording to be played on Friday May 26 at 10am is of permitted lines of follow-up questioning, known as the rule 9 examination. Mr Paton's original evidence was pre-recorded and played at a hearing on 29 September 2022.

- You can read Lord Bracadale's decision in full [here](#).
- For more on the Sheku Bayoh Inquiry, please go to the [Inquiry website](#).
- Media inquiries should be directed to [media@shekubayoh inquiry.scot](mailto:media@shekubayohinquiry.scot)

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