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Sir Leonard Peach,  
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*Sir Leonard,*

Thank you for your letter of 4th November in reply to mine of 25th September and 26th October.

I note, with increasing frustration, what you say, but am unable to allow this disturbing affair to rest whilst still so completely and unsatisfactorily unresolved.

Further to your letter of 4th November, I telephoned your secretary at about 3.00 p.m. on 6th November seeking clarification about the exact title and source of the "General Regulations 1985" to which you referred in the second paragraph. I was referred to several people but eventually told that I should speak to a "Mr. Bateman", but that he had gone home. I was then asked to call back on the following Monday (9th November).

When I telephoned Mr. Bateman on the afternoon of 9th November I was told that he was "on leave". After explaining the purpose of my call (and previous call), the gentleman who took it consulted with others and then said that the "General Regulations 1985" referred to in your letter were "The Police (Anonymous, Repetitious Etc. Complaints) Regulations 1985, No. 672".

Acting on that information, I then attempted to purchase a copy of these Regulations from the HMSO Holborn bookshop. They did not have it in stock and it, thus, had to be ordered. Having now received it, I find to my utter dismay, that these Regulations have no application and are totally irrelevant to my complaints!

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I have now pursued the matter further and have discovered, from HMSO, that "The Police (Complaints)(General) Regulations 1985" are an entirely separate set of Regulations. I presume these are the ones to which you were referring in your letter of 4th November, and not, as I was told on the telephone, S.I. No. 672 (1985).

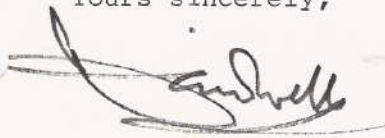
However, after this further unnecessary expense and time-wasting which has resulted because of the incorrect information I was given by your staff, I now find from HMSO, to my even greater exasperation, that "The Police (Complaints)(General) Regulations 1985" are 'out-of-print' - and photo-copies of them likewise! How on earth one is supposed to pursue fair and just proper redress in such matters in this country, when, seemingly, every possible obstacle is placed in one's way to prevent it, is a mystery to me!

Would you, therefore, please be helpful enough to let me have a copy of "The Police (Complaints)(General) Regulations 1985" as soon as possible and invoice me if there is any charge?

With regard to my complaint against Sir Peter Imbert, the Metropolitan Police Commissioner, I am now pursuing that direct with the Secretary of State for the Home Department in his capacity as the Police Authority for the metropolitan police district, as specified in Section 62 and Schedule 8 of the Police Act 1964.

Finally, in view of the fact that this matter has been going on for so long without any real progress, may I very respectfully ask for a speedy response to this letter?

Yours sincerely,



David Webb,  
Honorary Director,  
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