

## MANCHESTER ARENA INQUIRY

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### RESTRICTION ORDER PURSUANT TO s.19 OF THE INQUIRIES ACT 2005

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This Order is made by the Chairman pursuant to section 19(1) of the Inquiries Act 2005. It remains in force indefinitely.

The Chairman of the Inquiry may vary or revoke this Order by making a further Order at any stage during the course of the Inquiry.

Any breach of this Order by any means whatsoever shall be notified in writing to the Inquiry immediately upon identification of the breach.

#### **IT IS ORDERED THAT:**

1. The pseudonym 'Expert Witness Z' shall be used to identify the preventability expert witness for the purposes of the Inquiry.
2. The name and identifying details of Expert Witness Z shall be withheld from all and any disclosure given by the Inquiry.
3. The name and identifying details of Expert Witness Z shall be withheld from all Inquiry personnel, save to the extent that the individual concerned holds Developed Vetted security clearance and requires the information for the effective discharge of their functions as part of the Inquiry.
4. Expert Witness Z will give oral evidence in CLOSED session only, CLOSED session being defined as in paragraph 7 of the Restriction Order in relation to the CLOSED witness statements of the Security Service and GMP and associated material dated 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2017.

#### **PENAL NOTICE:**

5. If any person fails to comply with, or acts in breach of, the terms of this Restriction Order, the Chairman will certify the matter to the appropriate court, pursuant to s.36 of the Inquiries Act 2005.

6. The High Court and Court of Session have power to imprison or fine for any breach of this Order.

**25 October 2021**