

Q38 Andrew Mackinlay: Which documents have you shown him?

Dr Kelly: I have shown him none whatsoever.

Q39 Andrew Mackinlay: When you met Mr Gilligan on any of these occasions, was he fully aware of the extent of access you had to intelligence information?

Dr Kelly: I would not think so, he would not have got it from me.

Q40 Chairman: Were any of your contacts authorised by the Ministry of Defence?

Dr Kelly: My primary authorisation is through the Foreign Office: some were authorised and some were not, some were informal.

Q41 Chairman: What did you think the motives were of Mr Gilligan and others in seeking to contact you?

Dr Kelly: Are we talking specifically of Mr Gilligan?

Q42 Chairman: Yes.

Dr Kelly: The approach by Mr Gilligan was to consult with me before his visit to Iraq as a broadcaster. He wished to know certain aspects of Iraq, the UNMOVIC inspection process, some of the personalities that are associated with the programme should he encounter them, some of the sites that are involved in the programme. You may remember that just before the war the Iraqi Government was inviting journalists to visit the sites so they could see, according to Iraqi claims, that there was no illicit activity occurring.

Q43 Ms Stuart: I may not have heard something you said in response to Mr Chidgey's question. You did confirm that you had a meeting and talked with Susan Watts?

Dr Kelly: I have met with her personally once at the end of a seminar I provided in the Foreign Office on November 5.

Q44 Ms Stuart: You have neither met nor talked to her since?

Dr Kelly: I have spoken to her on the telephone but I have not met her face-to face.

Q45 Ms Stuart: When have you talked to her on the telephone?

Dr Kelly: I would have spoken to her about four or five times.

Q46 Ms Stuart: During May at all?

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