

THE INDEPENDENT INQUIRY RELATING TO AFGHANISTAN

RESTRICTION ORDER

This Restriction Order is made pursuant to section 19(1) and (2)(b) of the Inquiries Act 2005 (“the Act”), read with section 19(3) of the Act.

Any breach of this Order, failure to comply with it or threat to do so, can be certified to the High Court or Court of Session under section 36 of the Act, and the Court will deal with it as though the breach had occurred in proceedings before that Court.

PENAL NOTICE

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

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

1. This order restricts from publication, dissemination, disclosure or repetition anything that was said or done on the seventh day (27 October 2026) of the RMP OPEN hearings during the evidence of Major (Ret’d Matthew Cox), between:

- i. 10.02’33 – 10.12’33;
- ii. 12.22’16 – 12.32’16

save as appears in the official transcript published on the Inquiry’s website.

2. This Order is made on 27 October 2026 and remains in force indefinitely unless varied or revoked.
3. Any breach of this Order, failure to comply or threat to do so, by any means whatsoever, shall be notified in writing to the Solicitor to the Inquiry (“STI”) immediately upon identification of the breach or other issue.

Lord Justice Haddon-Cave

Chair

Dated 27 October 2026