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Dear Associate Professor Lally

I write in response to your email and letter of 16 February 2012.

As advised in my letter of 10 February 2012, a thorough and impartial independent investigation of the facts which gave rise to your allegations has taken place. As you are aware, I instructed Bruce Corkill QC to lead this investigation with the assistance, if needed, of the Chair of the Council's Audit and Risk Committee, Mr Graeme Mitchell.

Also as you are aware, I have received the final report from Bruce Corkill QC and have accepted his findings. These are given in the Executive Summary which has been provided to you. I have been assured by Mr Corkill and am satisfied that the matters you raised in your letter of 16 February 2012 were thoroughly investigated.

With regards to two other matters in your letter of 16 February 2012:

- 1. I have referred to the University's In-house Solicitor your request for a copy of the full report under the Official Information Act 1982. You will receive a response in due course (and within the 20 working day timeframe set out in the Official Information Act 1982).
- 2. I have referred to the Vice-Chancellor your request for someone other than Professor Buckle to review your recruitment and retention allowance.

As stated before, I consider the matter closed and, further, I will not be entering into any additional correspondence with you regarding it.

Yours sincerely

Ian McKimon Chancellor

