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Ms Avril Diamente
Coroners Court of Victoria
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by email: cpuresponses@coronerscourt.vic.gov.au

Dear Ms Diamente

Court ref: COR 2015 005857

I refer to your letter of 17 May 2018 addressed to the President, Associate Professor Mark Lane regarding the investigation into the death of Mettaloka M. Halwala.

In response to Recommendation 1 described in the Coroner's findings, it is the view of the RACP (the College) that the most appropriate agency to address this recommendation should be Safer Care Victoria and possibly the Australian Commission and Safety and Quality in Health Care who are responsible for the National Safety and Quality Health Service Standards.

Should either of these agencies wish to sponsor the development of a set of standards dedicated to systems for the communication of imaging results, the College would gladly nominate senior clinicians from relevant groups to provide input via a working party or consultation.

Yours sincerely

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