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From: Geoffrey Boulton [<mailto:g.boulton@ed.ac.uk>]

Sent: Wednesday, May 12, 2010 12:14 PM

To: Williams Lisa Ms (VCO)

Cc: [peter.clarke@ed.ac.uk](mailto:peter.clarke@ed.ac.uk); [REDACTED]; Geoffrey Boulton

Subject: Re: In confidence - Letter for Prof Briffa

**[Information exempted pursuant to s.40(2), Freedom of Information Act]**

Dear Lisa

I attach a letter that responds to Professor Briffa's queries.

Good wishes

Geoffrey Boulton

On 11/05/2010 12:15, Williams Lisa Ms (VCO) wrote:

> Geoffrey

> Prof Briffa has now started work on the questions you put to him but has come back to me with queries. I wonder if you could help clarify your requirements.

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> He is concerned that the wording of the questions (a and b) is somewhat ambiguous - as there are no precise details (citations and bibliographical details) that make clear which published/unpublished papers are being referred to. Without a reference list in the accompanying Annex, Prof Briffa suggests he could infer which papers are meant. However, for the avoidance of doubt and confusion, it would be helpful if you could identify which papers are referred to.

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> It would also be helpful if you could clarify the meaning of the text in question (b) with respect to the paper referred to in the following

> text: "the definitive version of which did not appear in 2007, which had only been accepted as "in press" long after the IPCC deadline had passed".

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> What paper or papers are referred to here? What is the deadline being referred to here? Also, what "results", as stated in the question did we use "in the AR4 rebuttal of M&M2003"?

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> Clarification on these points would be most helpful.

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> Best,

> Lisa

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>> From: Geoffrey Boulton [<mailto:G.Boulton@ed.ac.uk>]

>> Sent: Friday, May 07, 2010 7:59 AM

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>> Dear Lisa

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>> I attach a copy of the letter to Professor Briffa. I hope that he  
>> will have an opportunity to respond reasonably soon, as we hope to  
>> complete by the end of May.  
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>> Geoffrey Boulton  
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