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Dear Colleagues

**FORMER NATIONAL CHAIR – COLIN STEEL**

The POA are saddened to learn that former National Chair Colin Steel sadly passed away on the 21<sup>st</sup> December 2018, at the age of 81.

Colin was the National Chair from 1980 to 1986 and it was during his time as Chair that events took place that eventually led to the agreement on fresh start and introduction of the first procedural agreement.

Funeral details have been received and are at 3.00pm on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2019 at Rainsbrook Crematorium, Rugby, in the “Avon Suite”.

Yours sincerely

**MARK FAIRHURST**  
National Chair