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Dear 

In my Written Answer of 10 February 2010, Official Report, cols WA135-137, I advised you that I had asked the Human Fertilisation & Embryology Authority (HFEA) to compile the information you requested on:

- (i) the inspections of centres 0017, 0157 and 0206 since 2004,
- (ii) whether each of these inspections was unannounced,
- (iii) the names of the inspectors on each occasion, and
- (iv) the names of HFEA Licence Committee members who reviewed information from these inspections.

The information is shown in the attached table.

The HFEA has advised me that the following points should be noted with regard to the information:

- inspections have been considered as visits to licensed centres that resulted in the production of an inspection report.
- Licence Committees meet for reasons other than the consideration of an inspection report. Such meetings have not been included in the table.
- On occasion, an inspection report may be provided as background information for subsequent Licence Committees.
- Until 1 October 2009 the HFEA had more than one Licence Committee. Items were assigned to Licence Committees according to flow of workload.
- There was not an opportunity for a Licence Committee to consider the outcomes of the inspection of 14 November 2007, due to the appeal in process at that time. When a Licence Committee next considered an inspection report for that centre, a more current inspection report was available.



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Centre number (0017, 0157 or 0206)	Date of inspection (from 2004 to present date)	Inspection team	Was inspection unannounced?	Licence committee team which discussed inspection report
0157 & 0206	11/02/2004	Ian Hammond, Chair & Senior Regulatory Advisor Mohammed Menabawey, Clinical Inspector Arasaratham Srikantharajah, Scientific Inspector Elizabeth Corrigan, Social and Ethical Inspector Jenny Dimond, Senior Regulatory Manager Jennifer Davenport, Regulatory Officer	No	Licence Committee meeting 10/03/04 Jane Denton, Chair Ivor Brecker Emily Jackson Maybeth Jamieson  Licence Committee meeting – 24/5/04 Walter Merricks, Chair Emily Jackson Sarah Nathan
0157 & 0206	15/11/2004	Dr Sandy Mather, Head of Inspection Stephanie Sullivan, Head of Clinical Governance & Patient Safety	No	Licence Committee meeting - 9/2/2005 Emily Jackson, Chair Sharmila Nebhrajani Richard Harries Maybeth Jamieson  Licence Committee meeting - 11/3/2005 Emily Jackson, Chair Walter Merricks Jennifer Hunt Chris Barratt
0157 & 0206	31/03/2005	Sandy Mather, Head of Inspection Christine Williamson, Chair, Senior Regulatory Manager Stephen Lynch, Scientific Inspector Helen Kendrew, Nursing Inspector	No	Licence Committee meeting 25/5/2005 Emily Jackson, Chair Sharmila Nebhrajani Ivor Brecker Maybeth Jamieson  Licence Committee meeting 27/2/06 / 9/3/06 / 15/6/06 Walter Merricks (Chair) Simon Jenkins Neva Haites
0157	08/02/2006	Angela Sanford, Inspector Debra Bloor, Inspector Robert Sawers, Clinical advisor	No	Licence Committee meeting 24/05/06 Sharmila Nebhrajani, Chair Emily Jackson Richard Harries Helene Hayman Maybeth Jamieson

Centre number (0017, 0157 or 0206)	Date of inspection (from 2004 to present date)	Inspection team	Was inspection unannounced?	Licence committee team which discussed inspection report
0206	13/06/2006	Debra Bloor, Inspector Tony Knox, Inspector	No	Licence Committee 26/07/2006 Emily Jackson, Chair Ivor Brecker Richard Harries Clare Brown Maybeth Jamieson
0157	7, 8, 10/08/2006	7 <sup>th</sup> (am) Chris O'Toole, Inspector Brandon Welsh, Head of Audit Chris Hall, Audit inspector 7 <sup>th</sup> (pm) Chris O'Toole, Inspector Brandon Welsh, Head of Audit Chris Hall, Audit inspector Debra Bloor, Inspector 8 <sup>th</sup> (am) Debra Bloor, Inspector Chris Hall, Audit inspector 10 <sup>th</sup> (am) Chris Hall, Audit inspector Neelam Sood, Inspector	No	Licence Committee meeting 16-17/08/2006 Sharmila Nebhrajani, Chair Emily Jackson Richard Harries Maybeth Jamieson  Licence Committee meeting 16-17/08/06 Sharmila Nebhrajani, Chair Emily Jackson Richard Harries Maybeth Jamieson,
0206	15/01/2007	Debra Bloor, Inspector Janet Kirkland, Inspector Brandon Welsh, Head of Audit	Yes; based on warrant	Licence Committee meeting 13/07/2007 Sharmila Nebhrajani, Chair Richard Harries Emily Jackson Neva Haïtes Maybeth Jamieson

Centre number (0017, 0157 or 0206)	Date of inspection (from 2004 to present date)	Inspection team	Was inspection unannounced?	Licence committee team which discussed inspection report
0157	15/01/2007	Chris Hall, Auditor Marian Witton, Head of Inspection Tony Knox, Inspector	Yes; based on warrant	Licence Committee meeting 13/07/2007 Sharmila Nebhrajani, Chair Richard Harries Emily Jackson Neva Haïtes Maybeth Jamieson
0157	17/04/2007	Stephanie Sullivan, Head of Clinical Governance and Patient Safety Debra Bloor, Inspector Angela Sanford, Inspector Chris O'Toole, Head of Research Regulation	No	Licence Committee meeting 13/07/2007 Sharmila Nebhrajani, Chair Richard Harries Emily Jackson Neva Haïtes Maybeth Jamieson  Appeal Panel 17/9/2007 Walter Merricks – Chair Sue Price Chris Barrett Roger Neuberg Rebekah Dundas Not considered.
0157	14/11/2007	Tony Knox, Inspector Stephanie Sullivan, Head of Clinical Governance & Patient Safety Wil Lenton, Inspector Angela Sanford, Inspector	No	
0157	25/11/2008	Vicki Lamb, Inspector Wil Lenton, Inspector Gill Walsh, Inspector Carmel Dodson-Brown, Head of Clinical Governance	No	Licence Committee meeting 14/04/2009 Gemma Hobcraft, Chair Mair Crouch Debbie Barber Lillian Neville
0206	21/10/2009	Wil Lenton, Inspector Andrew Leonard, Inspector Angela Sutherland, Inspector Chris Hall, Auditor Emer O'Toole, Auditor	No	Licence Committee meeting 05/01/2010 Gemma Hobcraft, Chair Mair Crouch Debbie Barber Lillian Neville

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Centre number (0017, 0157 or 0206)	Date of inspection (from 2004 to present date)	Inspection team and their job titles	Was inspection unannounced?	Licence committee team which discussed inspection report
0017	27/05/2004	Chris O'Toole, Chair, Head of Research Regulation Mary Sellar, Scientific Inspector Ross Thacker, Research Officer	No	Licence Committee meeting 16/06/04 Sara Nathan, Chair Emily Jackson Maybeth Jamieson Ivor Brecker  Licence Committee meeting 03/08/04 Sara Nathan, Chair Emily Jackson Maybeth Jamieson Ivor Brecker
0017	22/11/2004	Debra Bloor, Regulatory Manager Avril MacLennan, Chair, Senior Regulatory Advisor Oliver Cross, HFEA Executive, Senior Regulatory Officer	No	Licence Committee meeting 28/02/2005 Walter Merricks, Chair Sara Nathan Simon Jenkins Jennifer Hunt Neva Haites
0017	02 & 03/06/2005	Chris O'Toole, Head of Research Regulation Andre Van Seirteghem, Scientific Inspector Ross Thacker, Research Officer	No	Research Licence Committee meeting 20/07/2005 Sara Nathan, Chair Emily Jackson Maybeth Jamieson
0017	02/12/2005	Debra Bloor, Inspector	No	Licence Committee meeting 19/12/2005 Walter Merricks, Chair Neva Haites Jennifer Hunt Hossam Abdalla
0017	11/05/2006	Debra Bloor, Inspector Tony Knox, Inspector Parvez Qureshi, Inspector	No	Licence Committee meeting 16/08/2006 Sharmila Nebhrajani, Chair Emily Jackson Richard Harries Maybeth Jamieson

0017	11/05/2006	Debra Bloor, Inspector	No	Research Licence Committee meeting 26/07/06 Emily Jackson Ivor Brecker Richard Harries Clare Brown Maybeth Jamieson
0017	14/11/2006	Debra Bloor, Head of Inspection Tony Knox, Inspector Parvez Qureshi, Inspector	No	Licence Committee meeting 14/02/2007 Emily Jackson, Chair Ruth Fasht Maybeth Jameson
0017	10/07/2007	Debra Bloor, Head of Inspection Chris O'Toole, Head of Research Regulation	No	Research Licence Committee meeting 28/11/2007 Emily Jackson, Chair Richard Harries Clare Brown Maybeth Jamieson Neva Haites
0017	14/05/2008	Will Lenton, Inspector Andrew Leonard, Inspector Janet Kirkland, External inspector	No	Licence Committee meeting 11/09/2008 Clare Brown, Chair Sue Price Chris Barratt Roger Neuberg
0017	15/05/2008	Will Lenton, lead HFEA inspector Andrew Leonard, HFEA inspector Janet Kirkland, External inspector	No	Research Licence Committee meeting 18/06/2008 Emily Jackson, Chair Richard Harries Maybeth Jamieson Neva Haites
0017	12/08/2009	Will Lenton, lead HFEA inspector Angela Sutherland, HFEA inspector	No	Licence Committee meeting 18/11/2009 Emily Jackson, Chair Clare Brown Neva Haites