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Dear Ms Coupe,

I have a small number of queries, and request a response under the terms of the FoI Act:

1. In 2008 the CSA reported that it knew of 1,200 cases of attempted paternity fraud by its clients, i.e. women who'd claimed particular men were the biological fathers of individual children, while subsequent paternity tests subsequently proved the claims were false. What is the current sum total of false claims made by your clients?
2. Given that paternity fraud – attempted or achieved – is a criminal offence in the UK, what is the CSA's policy with respect to informing the relevant authorities to enable them to take legal action against women suspected of paternity fraud?
3. Are there any circumstances under which the CSA would require a man to financially support a child who isn't biologically his own, and if so, what are they?

I look forward to your response in due course. Could it please be sent to me in the form of an email, sent to mb1957@hotmail.co.uk. Thank you.

Yours sincerely,

Mike Buchanan  
PARTY LEADER