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Dear Mr Fear

Thank you for the opportunity to discuss the situation regarding the proposed fixture between Bristol City and Bristol Rovers football clubs yesterday afternoon. Your subsequent email was used as the basis for my briefing and, may I say, that we all have some sympathy for your personal position regarding this matter.

However it must be put on record that senior officers within the Avon and Somerset Constabulary are extremely disappointed with the apparent disregard for our considered opinion about the potential risk that this fixture presents and our ability to police it effectively. I will be writing to the club to put this point in more detail.

In recognition of the previously excellent working relationship between the clubs and our desire for this to continue, the Constabulary is prepared to police this fixture at a cost of £40,000 (plus VAT). This offer is not open to negotiation and further comes with a condition that the kick off time for the match is moved to 12pm to mitigate the threat posed by intoxicated fans.

I hope you feel able to accept this offer and we can move forward in planning a family based event in a safe way and in line with your aspirations for the day.

I would be grateful if you would let me have your response at your earliest convenience.

Yours sincerely

Alex Cohen

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