Dear Madam

Request for a Screening Direction
Town and Country Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2011 as amended
Proposal for: development at the Former Imperial College Private Ground, Teddington

I refer to your client’s request dated 10 May 2017 made under 5(7) of the Town and Country Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2011 (S.I. 2011/1824) as amended (S.I. 2015/660) (“the 2011 Regulations”) for the Secretary of State’s screening direction the matter of whether or not the above development is ‘EIA development’ within the meaning of the 2011 Regulations.

The above development falls within the description at paragraph 10(b) of Schedule 2 to the 2011 Regulations. Therefore, the Secretary of State considers the proposal to be ‘Schedule 2 development’ within the meaning of the 2011 Regulations.

However, having taken into account the selection criteria in Schedule 3 to the 2011 Regulations the Secretary of State does not consider that the proposal is likely to have significant effects on the environment, see the attached written statement which gives the reasons for direction as required by 4(7) of the EIA Regulations.

Accordingly, in exercise of the powers conferred on him by regulation 6(4) of the 2011 Regulations the Secretary of State hereby directs that the proposed development described in your client’s request and the documents submitted with it, is not ‘EIA development’ within the meaning of the 2011 Regulations.

Any permitted development rights which your client’s proposal may enjoy under the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 2015 (SI 596) as amended are therefore unaffected.
You will bear in mind that the Secretary of State’s opinion on the likelihood of the development having significant environmental effects is reached only for the purposes of this direction.

I am sending a copy of this letter and the written statement to the Royal Borough of Richmond-upon-Thames.

Yours faithfully

Dave Jones

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(With the authority of the Secretary of State)