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IN THE MATTER of the Estate of Anthony Fairfax Shearcroft, late of the City of Yellowknife, in the Northwest Territories, deceased.

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Further to my direction dated and filed August 21, 1996, counsel for the executor under the Will of the deceased has filed a Memorandum on September 26, 1996.

The Memorandum indicates that in response to service upon her of the previous Direction and the executor's affidavit material, Sumiko June Shearcroft, wife of the deceased, replied in writing that she would like to apply for a grant of probate. A copy of her letter was not provided to the Court.

The Memorandum indicates further that Mrs. Shearcroft subsequently advised counsel for the executor by telephone that she wished the present application to continue and that her letter was not meant to convey that she be made executor of the estate or obtain any benefit of the estate.

Counsel is directed to provide affidavit evidence that there has been compliance with the Court's direction, such evidence to address directly the issue whether Mrs. Shearcroft has notified the executor of any intention to make a claim under the *Dependants' Relief Act*. In light of conflicting information from Mrs. Shearcroft, counsel is directed was well to obtain and file with his affidavit material a written statement from Mrs. Shearcroft as to whether she intends to make a claim under the *Dependants' Relief Act*.

Dated this 18th day of October, 1996.

V. A. Schuler

J.S.C

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