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Mr Archie Sharkie 45 Commore Drive Glasgow G13 3TU

Dear Julie

This is a belated personal letter to thank you for the immense contribution which you and Martin made to the performance of the UK team at Amsterdam. It was a great weight off my mind to know that the competitors were in such good hands, and an enormous help that you dealt with whatever you could and only brought to me issues which I could usefully intervene with. It seemed like a good team effort, not least in your handling of the experts and their anxieties!

While naturally I would like to have seen more UK medals and diplomas, I believe that generally it was a fair result and a fair indication of the need for UK Ltd to improve its vocational training. As to UK Skills, we have I think learned much on which to build for the future.

Thank you too for your reports which will be immensely helpful to me and Pat as we plan the way ahead.

With best wishes

J D G Hammer Technical Director

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