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To: Lee Jasper
Subject: RE: DD

Dear Lee

A deal was struck, subject always to sign offs as Manny set out in his email. That process was specifically agreed by Joel. Since those sign offs, from the Liquidator in particular, were not forthcoming, we have been scrambling around trying to find an alternative route. I have practically done nothing else this week but try and resolve this matter. Joel's behaviour has been nothing less than destructive. He instructed the website to be shut down, notwithstanding requests from us and demands from the liquidator that he not do that. He elected to switch off the Diversity Dividend website and compromise our programme, the reputation of the Agency and the GLA.

I had told him that I was ready to fly to Manchester today to meet him and the Liquidator and find a mutually sensible deal. I am now flying to Manchester on Monday to meet him, the other stakeholders, the lawyers and the Liquidator face to face to reach an agreement.

We are still aiming for a seamless transition but it very much depends on Joel adopting a reasonable and rational approach. He put his company into liquidation without advising us, sat in front of Manny and didn't disclose it to him and we are now bound by the constraints of that liquidation. I cannot make a deal against the interests of the Agency and the GLA and jeopardise people's reputations.

I can only assure you that we have done absolutely everything in order to avoid getting to this situation, which is clearly not the position I as a new Programme Director would like to be in.

Thanks

Brenda

-----Original Message-----

From: Lee Jasper [mailto:Lee.Jasper@london.gov.uk]
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Brenda

This is a disaster - I had been told my Manny that a deal had been struck - this is not seamless transition. What's going on ?

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