

# Eljamel campaigner reveals talks with government on extradition bid

Leading Eljamel campaigner Jules Rose has said there must be a “day of reckoning” for the disgraced NHS Tayside surgeon as she met Scottish Secretary Ian Murray to discuss ways of forcing him back from Libya.

Victims of the rogue ex-Dundee doctor want him extradited from the north African state to face justice in Scotland, where he harmed hundreds of victims.

The Courier exclusively revealed in September that Mr Murray was willing to hold talks with the Libyan authorities and call in the foreign secretary.

Shamed Eljamel fled there years after he was forced to quit NHS Tayside when his butchery was exposed.

We have since revealed how the disgraced neurosurgeon is building a growing empire in Libya as he continues to operate.



Campaigner Jules Rose.

The UK authorities did little to thwart him or alert the Libyan medical authorities about his behaviour.

A police probe into Eljamel’s malpractice, launched in 2018, is ongoing.

Ms Rose was told by Mr Murray the government’s hands are tied until police determine whether Eljamel’s behaviour was criminal.

“The meeting was very good,” she said. “Mr Murray was approachable, open, and candid with me.

“What’s very frustrating and annoying is the

Foreign Office cannot make any move because the buck stops with the Crown Office and Police Scotland, as there’s no criminal charges against Eljamel.

“What was welcoming to hear is that should charges be brought against Eljamel, which I’m hopeful of, the Foreign Office would most certainly look at extradition.”

Campaigners hope this will put pressure on investigating detectives to act soon.

Ms Rose added: “Patients desperately need to see Eljamel being brought back to this country to face justice.”

In September, Labour MP Mr Murray said he was “happy to speak to the campaigners” for an update on their progress.

He said: “The foreign secretary and I work very, very closely together, so anything that has to be raised formally, I’m happy to do so.”