get to the bottom of

to find out the cause of a problem or situation

***Trial and Error*:**

**JOHN ABERNETHY, FORMER CORONER: It was a very important case because something happened to this young woman and I- my job was to try to get to the bottom of it.**

***Rescuers now retrieving bodies: Clare:***

**JASON CLARE: I haven't seen that document. I'm keen to look at it to see whether there was earlier information. If there is, that's something I want to get to the bottom of it.**