



## Professional Standards Unit

### CONFIDENTIAL FILE NOTE

REFERENCE: BYC | SIMON A. JACOBS

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Meeting with Archbishop, BYD and myself.

BYD [ ] recounts the history of her son, BYC [ ] who is now 34?

In 1974 he was a member of the St Ives CEBS group and was serially abused by a leader, Simon A. Jacobs. The effects of this abuse are set out in BYD [ ] notes of interview.

Simon A. Jacobs subsequently left St Ives CEBS and was appointed Branch Governor of Pymble. Son, BYC [ ] who was a Junior leader at Pymble CEBS at the time, inexplicably resigned.

The abuse was disclosed in 1987 at about the time of BYC [ ] 21<sup>st</sup> Birthday.

Simon Jacobs was criminally prosecuted on the complaint of BYC [ ] However, the case was dismissed at committal stage.

Bishop Clive Kurrle was advised of the allegations by Rick Kells when Mr Jacobs went to Pymble. Apparently, Bishop Kurrle is said to have responded by saying that Mr Jacobs deserved a second chance.

Revd Boak Jobbins has also been criticised because he declined to assist the Police on the basis of confidentiality. He also made comments at a wedding reception to the effect that BYC [ ] was "in his court case and wedding suit".

The net effect of the abuse is that BYC [ ] has failed to reach his potential and has serious emotional and psychological problems. He is on a Disability Pension and has moved back home to live with his parents.

Archbishop has offered, in writing, to meet with BYC [ ]

BYD [ ] has referred to the following matters as being needs of BYC [ ]

1. Apology.
2. Accommodation needs.
3. Financial needs.
4. Interest in sport as an outlet.
5. Possible counselling, although he sees his General Practitioner weekly and his Psychiatrist monthly at this stage. This is covered by Medicare.

Regarding Simon Jacobs: BYD [ ] understands that he now lives in North Sydney and is about 47 years of age. He was previously overseas. There is no indication that he presently attends any Anglican church.

  
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