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Dear Rom,

Greetings from Drummoyle.

Sorry for the delay in getting this to you but I had to jump a few hurdles to get there.

As I think I would have said to you on the phone some time ago we adopted the policy about five years ago that we would not fund the defence of former Brothers charged with any offences. There were many reasons for that decision and I won't go into the convoluted details here. Suffice it to say that subsequent events have vindicated the decision of the Provincial Council at that time.

Clearly you are in a very different situation compared with most of the others. The fact that you are a pensioner and also that you were falsely accused entered into our thinking. Accordingly please find enclosed a cheque for \$2,000.00 as a contribution towards your costs.

**Could I ask you, insist even, that you keep this absolutely confidential.** For example one other former Brother involved in the same case as yourself asked for financial assistance and was declined.

If I can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

With every best wish.

Yours sincerely,

Michael Hill FMS  
Provincial  
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