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BY:.....

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Dear Sue,

Re: Special Issues St Ann's Special School and Brian Perkins

I hope that you will allow me to raise this particularly difficult matter with you. Firstly, I would like to thank you for the invitation to sit on the St Ann's Working Party. In view of the importance of this matter to CCI we are indeed very grateful for the opportunity to have made a small contribution to the enormous work that was done by the Working Party.

I trust that you are the right person with whom I should raise the following issue, since the Archbishop has indicated that you are the one with responsibility for coordinating the St Ann's matters.

The Archdiocese has for pastoral reasons made offers of payment to various categories of victims. While we understand and fully appreciate the Archdiocese' reasons for wanting to make such payments, you would be aware of CCI's reservations about the quantum being proposed as raised by me during the deliberations of the Working Party.

In order for CCI to properly assess and make any decisions about the issue of indemnity for potential claims that may be made against the Archdiocese, we would require the following information from the Archdiocese:

(a) **The Identity of Victims**
Currently we have the following:

- The list of victims as categorised by the Archdiocese which was provided to members of the Working Party.
- The letter from Donald Craig Lawyers to Mr Allan Dooley dated 21 October 2002 which indicates that the firm represents seventeen victims and twelve parents or guardians.

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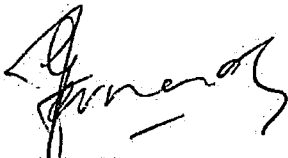
We would be grateful if you can provide us with:

- The identity of any other victim(s) that may not be in either of the above documents.
 - Details of any other letters from solicitors including letters of demand by potential claimants.
- (b) **The Approximate Dates of Loss for each victim**
Our information suggests a period of loss that spans from 1987 to 1991. We do not have sufficient information to determine the dates or period of loss for each victim. This information is required to assist us in determining issues of liability as well as quantum in each case.
- (c) **Nature of the Offence and Psychological Impact**
We have no information as to the nature of the offences and the impact of the offences on individual victims. It is important to identify these and attempt to distinguish this from any psychological, behavioural and psychiatric phenomena that may be due to causes other than the abuse. We would be pleased to receive any information you may have in this regard for each victim.
- (d) **The Location in Which the Abuse Occurred**
We require information as to where the abuse took place for each victim, for example, was it in the bus, in school or outside of school. We also need to know if it happened during or after school hours or did the abuse take place on weekends?
- (e) **Name of ALL Offenders**
In most cases Brian Perkins was the offender but in some the offences were committed by others. Can we be provided with the names of the offender(s) for each victim.

In addition to the above, we are also particularly keen to ensure that the obligations under the Health Insurance and Other Services (Compensation) Act 1995 and the Social Security Act 1991 are appropriately considered in whatever payments are finally made to the victims.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any queries in regard to these matters.

Yours sincerely,



Edmund Fernandez