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From: Fr John Doherty
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Following our conference yesterday with Michael Hill and Dominic Cudmore, I asked Bishop Cremin to make an approach to Duggan to judge his capacity to meet Ellis. The Sister at the nursing home section of the Little Sisters, where Duggan resides, told Bishop Cremin that, while Duggan often has good days, he more often fails to recognize people. Bishop Cremin then go to speak with Duggan who seemed to recognize him. However, the conversation was difficult and communication poor, perhaps because of the phone connection. Duggan gave uncertain and hesitant answers. Bishop Cremin says that Duggan appears to have had a stroke. He is not sure if he is capable of dealing with an interview with Ellis, but will make a personal visit in the next few days to get a better idea. I told Bishop Cremin of the allegations in Ellis' complaint to give him the background and he will put the name of John Ellis to Duggan when he sees him.

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