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**Note to file****17 May 2001 1.30 pm**

I received a telephone call from **REDACTED**

He said he felt he wanted to call the School as a courtesy and also owing to the fact that he has respect for his old School. He wanted to let us know he was a victim of Lynch while he was a student at the School in the 70s. (He also said he was a boarder).

He told me he had been contacted by Shine Roche to see if he wanted to make any claims against the School. I asked him how Shine Roche obtained his name. He said he had been speaking with "someone" around the time of the most recent newspaper article (It appears that that "someone" is one of the claimants). The "someone" mentioned to Shine Roche that one of his friends from school days was also abused by Lynch (meanin **REDACTED** and from there, he said the police contacted him to ask him if he wanted to make a claim.

He said he was not interested. He said that no amount of money ever fixes such things and, besides, he felt that he had worked through what happened to him enough to close the chapter on that part of his life. He is a professional in the field of psychology and his own colleagues have helped him through his abuse by Lynch.

He said that he has heard a lot of stories of what had happened to some of the other victims and believes he was not as badly abused as some. He also doesn't see any point in laying blame on the School.

He concluded the conversation by saying he wanted to speak to someone in charge of the Old Boys so that he could bring his information up to date. He said he would be coming up to Brisbane (from Sydney) in the next few weeks and wouldn't mind it if someone could show him around the School. I have asked Bill Maddock to phone him back regarding his Old Boy information.

I said "So, the purpose of your call was really to let us know that you had been a victim of Lynch, but you have successfully managed to close the door on that part of your life". He said "yes" and he wanted to provide the School with a positive message amongst the negatives messages that have been tossed about of late.

Lou Ruddle

