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 DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC PROSECUTIONS
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Director of Public Prosecutions – R N Miller QC Deputy Director – Michael Byrne QC

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Dear AYE

RE: CHARGES AGAINST REGINALD BASIL DURHAM

This letter is to keep you updated about the progress of the case against REGINALD BASIL DURHAM.

All matters concerning this accused have now been separated. What this means is that there will be a trial for each individual complainant. This decision was made on legal grounds, as there is no basis in law for these matters to be joined.

Previous correspondence to you advised of an application by the Defence Counsel in this matter for a 'Stay of Proceedings'. This application was abandoned and the matters concerning this accused will proceed to trial on dates to be determined.

As you may be aware, a trial recently occurred in relation to the accused. The result of this trial was a Hung Jury. What this means is that the Jury could not reach a unanimous decision as to a verdict. This can often occur in trials of this nature. When this happens the matter can be listed for trial again. The trial in relation to this particular complainant has been re-listed for trial commencing in the week of 27 September, 1999.

As yet we do not have a trial date for the matter in which you are a complainant. Following the completion of the above trial, we will be able to provide you with further information concerning this matter.

If you have any concerns or questions regarding this matter, please contact Mel Shelley, Victim Support Service Liaison Officer on the above telephone number.

Yours faithfully

Mel
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For and on behalf of
R N MILLER, QC
DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC PROSECUTIONS