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Mr Richard Campion

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Dear Mr Campion

Thank you for your letter of 23 January 2008 regarding the complaint of CD

I have made some enquiries in relation to this matter and I understand that CD first wrote to you and you then provided copies of his letter to Ms Woodhouse and Bishop Keith Slater.

I have been advised by Bishop Slater that he is only able to act in relation to a complaint of abuse when the complaint is directly from the person who has been abused. I do appreciate that RED CD would be distressed by the lack of an acknowledgement but would encourage him to write directly to Bishop Slater. I am sure that, once the Bishop receives a letter from CD he will take all the appropriate steps to address the complaint.

I understand your request for me to contact CD about this matter and, while I would be willing to do so, I think that my involvement at this stage in a matter which really belongs to the Diocese of Grafton may add confusion to the whole issue. However, I would be happy for you to share this letter with him.

The Archbishop has now returned from leave and I understand that he is also writing to you about this matter.

Yours faithfully



Rod McLary
Director of Professional Standards

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