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Thank you for emailing me about your concerns regarding access to psychological support for both you and CJE _____'s paternal father.

I acknowledge that, despite the passage of time since our original decision to fund psychological support, this matter has continued to affect you and your family. In particular, the length of time which has now passed has, understandably, caused you considerable emotional and mental anguish. While the cause for this delay is primarily the result of the length of time the criminal justice process necessarily takes, I regret that this delay has had to be borne by you and your family, and acknowledge the stress you are suffering.

Accordingly, and based on the matters you have raised in your email, I have decided to extend access to funding for psychological support for you and CJE _____'s paternal father until 31 May 2015.

While I understand that Group Captain Murry Spittle's letter to you on 17 March 2015 was unexpected by you, I would note that his letter was a continuation of the advice Squadron Leader Sean Watson provided to you via email on 17 November 2014, namely, that access to funding for psychological support was due for review.

After 31 May 2015, I would propose to review access to funding for psychological support for you and CJE _____'s paternal father. My decision to review access to funding for psychological support for you and CJE _____'s paternal father will be made in consultation with you. I would hope that, through the provision of further psychological support, it may be possible for you to achieve referral to an appropriate long term support service via NSW Health or another support agency of your choosing. Alternatively, you may choose to remain with your current provider.

We will also continue to communicate with you formally (that is, by way of letter) in accordance with your earlier request for us to do so, unless you indicate otherwise.

Again, I acknowledge your frustrations regarding the length of time the civilian courts are taking in concluding this matter. I hope you will find the extension of psychological support useful in addressing these frustrations, and arriving at your own successful personal resolution.



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