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To: Suspected Child Abuse Team
Indoorpilly Police Station
Queensland Police Service

From: John Devereux

Date: 30 April 2014

Subject: Complaint of Alleged Inappropriate Touching of a Child
No of Pages: 3 (including this one)

Dear Sir/Madam,

My apologies, firstly, for sending these documents via facsimilie.

I came by the station this afternoon at around 4 p.m., but managed to miss you.

I work as a volunteer with the Australian Air Force Cadets.

In that capacity, I have been made aware of an allegation that a former cadet, while a cadet (and a child), was inappropriately touched by an adult staff member.

At Annexe 1 is a summary of the information provided to me.

At Annexe 2 are the contact details of the complainant, supplied to me by the complainant.

A report of the allegations has been sent to the National Commander of the Air Force Cadets but, in accordance with the practice of the Air Force Cadets, I am also lodging details of this complaint with you, with a request that you investigate and take action, if thought appropriate.

I am, of course, happy to meet with you if that would assist.

My contact details are below:

John Devereux

e-mail: REDACTED

phone: REDACTED

I would be grateful if you could acknowledge, via e-mail, receipt of this facsimile, so that I may advise the National Commander that the complaint has been referred to the Queensland Police.

Yours faithfully

John Devereux

Spoke to Andy at
INDRO POL STATION
he confirmed
receipt.
S.C.A team
member (Frank
Jeffries) is
working
with me
1400
today

ANNEX 1

SENSITIVE:PERSONAL

ACTIONS

6. **Interview with Mr Symonds.** CO 217 SQN and OC 2 WG met with Mr Symonds on the evening of Tuesday 29 Apr 14 at the United Service Club in Brisbane. Mr Symonds said that, between 1995 to 2001, he had been a cadet at what is now 217 SQN. Mr Symonds provided an account of three incidents. The first occurred when Mr Symonds was 16 or 17. He described FLTLT (AAFC) as being "very close, personal" with cadets. He said that FLTLT (AAFC) Oakley would touch cadets arms or their backs. He said FLTLT (AAFC) Oakley claimed to be a massage therapist. One night he enticed Mr Symonds to a hotel (Hogan's Hotel, behind the Wellington Point Hotel). There FLTLT (AAFC) Oakley "touched him in places he was not comfortable with". FLTLT (AAFC) Oakley had claimed it was a part of the massage. When Mr Symonds had objected, FLTLT (AAFC) Oakley apologised and told him not to tell anyone.
7. On another occasion Mr Symonds had stayed at FLTLT (AAFC) Oakley's place the night prior to an Exercise. He stayed in the same room as FLTLT (AAFC) Oakley – a situation Mr Symonds described as normal for the time. "If you stayed at someone's place in cadets, you often slept "head to toe". Mr Symonds says FLTLT (AAFC) Oakley "touched him up". When asked what he meant by this, he replied that FLTLT (AAFC) Oakley had put his hand down his pants.
8. Later on, when Mr Symonds was over 18, FLTLT (AAFC) Oakley had arranged a "get together" of ex cadets. When Mr Symonds showed up, he was the only one there which he thought was a little strange. FLTLT (AAFC) Oakley kept buying him drinks. He then "touched him up". This happened at the Treasury Casino and Ibis Hotel.
9. Mr Symonds stated on the first occasion, [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] had been present. There were no people present on the second occasion.
10. Mr Symonds stated that FLTLT (AAFC) Oakley's behaviour was different to that of other instructors towards cadets. There was no saluting and he said to cadets they should call him Todd.
11. Mr Symonds consent to advise the CIVPOL and AAFC of the above matters was obtained. Mr Symonds was offered the support of the 2 WG PSYCH, provided with the contact details of OC 2 WG, and encouraged to access support services available through Defence.

ANNEXE 2

Aaron Symonds

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