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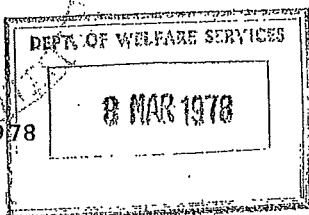
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7th March, 1978

B/c Director, Dept. of Children's Services.

Brigadier J. Beasy,
State Social Secretary,
Salvation Army,
P.O. Box 753,
FORTITUDE VALLEY. Q. 4006

Noted. This will be shown to Mr. Johnson on his return.

[Signature]

A/Under Secretary
10.3.78

Dear John,

I refer to our conversation on 2nd March, 1978, about the future of "Alkira".

As you know, I am particularly concerned about the financial drain which large institutions place on the Governing Authorities and a good deal of work is being put into the development of an alternative formula for financing. Even if it is possible to find a suitable financial formula, I think it is likely that "Alkira", as it is presently constructed, may never be fully utilized again. The trend these days is in the direction of Family Group Homes.

These facilities ideally are not very different to a normal home situation and function as such in suburbs and country towns. I wondered if the Army had given any thought to entering this form of care?

With kind regards,

B/c The Under Secretary,
Department of Welfare Services,
BRISBANE.

Yours sincerely,

In case this letter should be misinterpreted by the Salvation Army, Brigadier Beasy asked me to write it to him because he considers it would be a good idea to sell "Alkira" and to start Family Group Homes in the suburbs.

(Robert Plummer)
Director

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