

REPORT FOR TERRITORIAL COMMANDER
Re; Mr Wallace McLeod

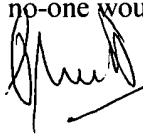
The Professional Standards Committee recommends WALLACE MCLEOD receive an additional ex-gratia payment of \$10,000 as a final expression of our regret.

Mr McLeod was given \$20,000 in July 2003 and in 2007 he requested this amount be reviewed due to the seriousness of the allegations of abuse at Indooroopilly and Riverview Boys Homes.

Aged 12 years, Wallace was placed in care at Indooroopilly in December 1960 after the death of his mother in a motor vehicle accident and subsequent ~~and~~ murder of his father. In June 1962 (aged 14 years), he was transferred to Riverview Boys Home and hired out in October 1963 until returning to Riverview in January 1965. He was discharged in August 1966. He spent 6 years in care.

Mr McLeod was repeatedly punched and bashed by Captain Bennett and he witnessed boys aged four also being brutally bashed. At Riverview, he was flogged by a stock whip as punishment for talking. He refers to Officers and staff by name who took part in this brutal treatment. He worked on the Riverview farm from 12 years of age and was deprived of a high school education.

This man has clearly suffered physical and emotional abuse. He has emotional scars which have been confirmed by a psychiatrist. He suffers epileptic fits and has had a nervous breakdown and has contemplated suicide. This nightmare was made worse because he felt no-one would believe his story.



Chris Witts
 (Major)
 Member, Professional Standards Committee

8 October 2007.

Chris,
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 this one. Can you
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 from Impact Statement?
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