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Colonel Verna E. Skinner
CHIEF SECRETARY

Dear Colonel,

Major Alan Smith (R)

You will recall that the above-named officer was suspended from the rank and privileges associated with his retired status as an Officer of The Salvation Army. This coincided with his failure to appear in a Perth Magistrate's Court on a serious criminal charge.

It is now clear from statements received in connection with the charges brought against him that Alan Smith has behaved in manner unworthy of a Christian minister and a Salvation Army Officer.

There is therefore no alternative but to confirm suspension as dismissal. This means that he loses his honorary rank as a retired officer and all privileges associated with that rank with effect from the date of the suspension.

Please take appropriate steps to inform him of this and also to inform his wife who will retain her rank and privileges.

Yours sincerely,

COMMISSIONER

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Divisional Commander, Eastern Victoria
President, Retired Officers League
Secretary, Officer Review Board

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