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Dear Brothers,

Re: Reinstatement request, BCH.

Following a phone conversation between Bro. DeRooy and Bro. Spinks a few weeks ago, we met with BCH to consider his plea for reinstatement. In addition to hearing his plea we also felt the need to meet with REDACTED who is in our area though not our congregation.

As Bro. DeRooy mentioned briefly on the phone the situation appears very complex in view of the two families involved and due to the fact that both BCH and REDACTED are living so closely now. They both deny any collusion in this regard although they both expressed some "feelings" for each other.

We would appreciate some assistance from you brothers as we feel unable to make any recommendation on what we now know.

Firstly, BCH says that the reasons for his disfellowshipping were "Lying and Disregarding theocratic order" although the latter appears a little vague. Could you please clarify this for us.

Secondly, there appears to be some variance between what BCH says took place between he and REDACTED physically, and what REDACTED says took place. This concerned us in view of the 'lying' aspect of his case.

Finally, as REDACTED is in the process of filing for divorce and both he and BCH claim scriptural grounds for divorce, he indicated he would "not rule out the possibility of their getting together." Do you brothers have any comment on this situation.

We would appreciate any additional suggestions you may have in our handling this situation.

Thankyou for your consideration of our requests and we look forward to hearing from you soon.

May Jehovah's spirit continue to guide your thoughts and deeds as you serve the brothers in your area.

Your Brothers