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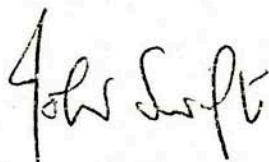
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Dear Fr. McVeigh

I have been asked by the Minister for Foreign Affairs to acknowledge receipt of your letter of 23rd May 1973 regarding the tragic death of your cousin, Mr. Michael Leonard, of Pettigo, Co. Donegal on 17th May last. We are investigating the matter of your cousin's death as fully as we can and, as part of that investigation, we have asked the British authorities to furnish a complete account of the circumstances of his death. When these investigations have been completed, we will then be in a position to decide what further action we should take.

Yours faithfully

Secretary

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