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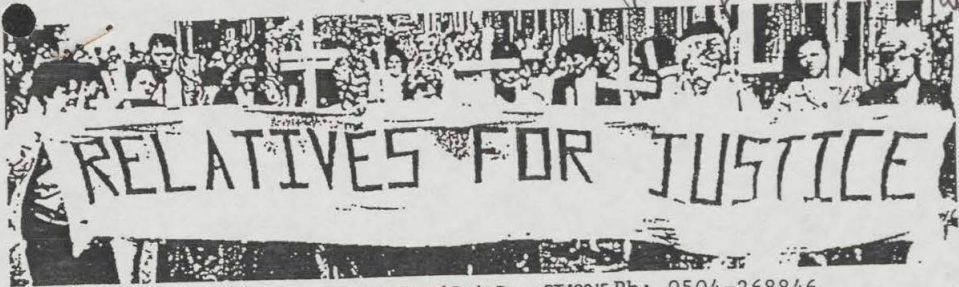
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PA Stevens/Nelson

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Dear Mr. Spring,

I wrote to you on 17 February 1993 referring to earlier correspondence which I sent to Mr. David Andrews on the 28 September 1992. To date I have received only one acknowledgement to my letters from a Mr. O' Riordan of the Foreign Affairs Department on the 12 October 1992.

My correspondence raises the very serious matter of the Brian Nelson case in which many people lost their lives, including my brother Pat.

Eight months have now passed since I first wrote to the Foreign Affairs Department and I feel that it is an absolute disgrace that Mr. Andrews and now yourself have not taken the contents of my letter serious enough to reply.

Many more people have died since the Nelson affair and now, like many other similar cases, is totally forgotten about.

I must remind you that the trial of Brian Nelson, at which the government connived with the RUC in having murder charges against him withdrawn, was and still remains an insult to justice. It can also be said that what transpired in the Nelson case can be seen as the greatest in a series of injustices which include Birmingham, Guildford, Maguire, and Ward, plus many cases which never make the headlines. It differs from these cases, though, in that most of its victims are all dead and there can be no calls to free them ... but the issue is the same and that is justice.

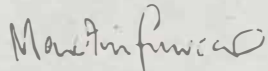
As I have already stated in my letter of 28 Sept 1992, there is an urgent need to have the deaths caused by Brian Nelson and his controllers fully investigated.

Until this matter is seriously looked into by people like you and your government it will appear to me that the deaths caused by Nelson and Military Intelligence through collusion will continue unabated.

In the interests of justice will you now, please consider each of the issues that I have raised in my letter of the 28 September 1992 and the points herein.

I look forward to hear from you.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Martin Finucane". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned below the typed name.

Martin Finucane