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Mr D Burke
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Western Health and Social Services Board
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30 July 1999

Dear *Dominic*,

"LIVING WITH THE TRAUMA OF THE TROUBLES" – CUNAMH

You wrote to Kevin McCoy on 8 July and attached a copy of a request from Cunamh for funding to provide support for people providing evidence to the Saville Inquiry.

Given that Cunamh represents people who are victims of civil unrest it may have access to funding which is available to victims' groups. We understand there are a number of sources which the organisation might be advised to approach such as the Community Relations Council for Northern Ireland Voluntary Trust. Another possible source of assistance might be the Saville Inquiry itself. As you can see from the enclosed, I have already referred your letter and the Cunamh proposal to the Inquiry.

As a local project it does not of course meet the Department's criteria for funding. Departmental funding can be considered only where a project is a regional one, or is a local one with potential regional significance which the relevant Board or Trust supports but is unable to fund. Your letter does not make clear whether or not the project has Board and Trust support following a full assessment of need for the service, or whether local funding is not available due to competing priorities.

Yours sincerely

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NB Original letter is held in new file - 'Cunamh - Correspondence re Funding'

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Ms C McCombie
Saville Inquiry
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30 July 1999

Dear *Ms McCombie*,

I enclose a letter which this Department has recently received from the Western Health and Social Services Board about funding for a proposal by Cunamh, a locally based voluntary organisation, to provide support for people giving evidence to the Saville Inquiry.

This Department can only fund a project if the scheme is a regional one or is a local one with potential regional significance, and is not in a position to offer the assistance sought. I am writing to you in case the Saville Inquiry might wish to consider providing assistance. I have advised the Board that I have written to you and I am sure it or Cunamh will be happy to provide any further information you may require about the proposal.

It would be helpful if you could advise me of your decision in due course.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'L. Freew'.

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