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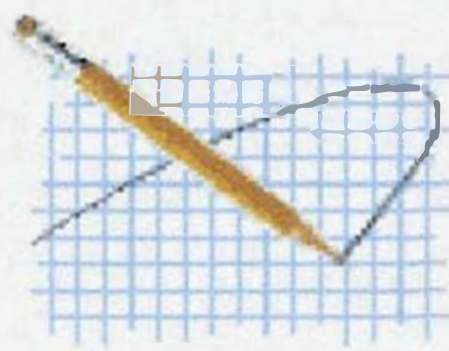
Denis,

I would appreciate urgent advice on this. I will contact you by phone to discuss.

Many thanks,

Mary

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OFFICE OF THE FIRST MINISTER AND DEPUTY FIRST MINISTER

URGENT - CORRESPONDENCE

Reference: COR/355/2002

Raised By: James Johnston

Subject: COR 355/02 - LETTER TO FM & DFM FROM HOLY CROSS SOLICITORS

Referred To: MARY BUNTING

Date Referred: 12/06/2002

ACTION REQUIRED

Please provide advice and a draft reply for signature by the PS/First Minister and PS/Deputy First Minister.

To be with Private Office not later than 26/06/2002 before Close of Play

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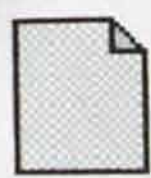
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YOUR REF:

OUR REF: JTJ/DMK/

12 June 2002

Re: Hon. David Trimble MP MLA
Mr Mark Durkan MLA
The Office of the First Minister & Deputy First Minister
Parliament Buildings
Stormont
BELFAST BT4 3XX

FAX NO: 9052 1283

Dear Sirs

RE: OUR CLIENT - BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF HOLY CROSS GIRLS SCHOOL

We represent the above named Board of Governors with whom you have been in contact in connection with the erection of a wall at or about the junction of Alliance Avenue/Ardoyne Road.

We would be obliged if you could provide us with the following information :-

1. Please provide us with a map outlining the positioning of the proposed wall to include details of its height and details of whether it will be brick, concrete, etc.
2. Please indicate to us upon what legal authority, quoting the precise legislative provision/s, you propose to erect this wall.
3. Please provide us with full details of the contract arrangements which have been agreed and the management team established as set out in Annex 3 to your correspondence of the 7th June 2002.
4. Please advise whether the PSNI have recommended the erection of this wall as a security measure.
5. Please advise whether the NIO has any involvement in the proposed erection of this wall.

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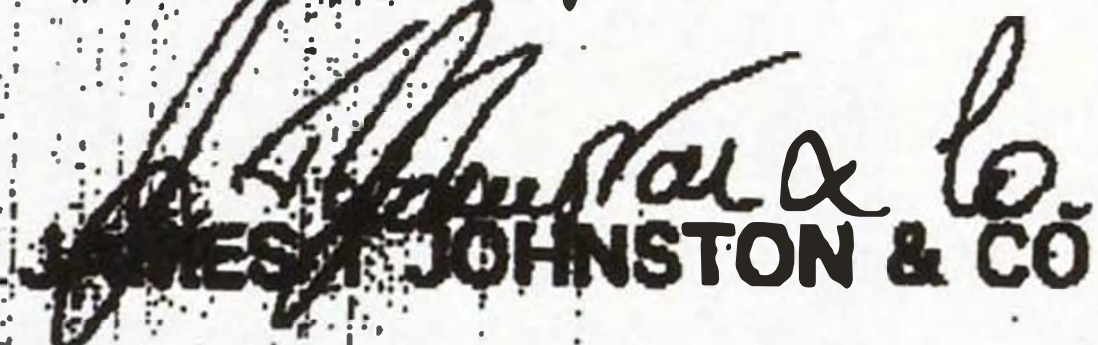
OUR REF:

As you are aware there is no community consensus in relation to this wall. The Board of Governors have sought the views of its members, parents and teachers and all are totally opposed to your proposal. Moreover parents have indicated in the clearest terms that should this wall be erected they will no longer send their children to Holy Cross Girls School. Your proposal will in our view result in that which months of Loyalist protest failed to achieve, the closure of our client's School.

In the circumstances we would be obliged if you could provide us with an immediate response to our queries above. Given the proposed timetable set out in Annex 3 to your correspondence, i.e. the work on the proposed wall will commence on the week commencing the 17th June 2002 we would ask for your response to these queries by close of business today. We would also ask for an undertaking in writing that no further steps will be taken to erect the proposed wall until we receive a reply and have had an opportunity to consider same.

We should advise that if we do not receive the response to our queries or the undertaking we shall be left with no option but to issue legal proceedings to protect our client's interests and the future of their School.

Yours faithfully


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