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Dear Dame Jasvinder

Firstly, congratulations on your recent honour! I did look up online how to address a Dame in writing, and it seems 'Dear Madam' is correct - but to my ear that just doesn't sound very pleasant. So please excuse me ignoring that advice and using 'Dame Jasvinder' instead.

To answer your question, I am afraid I have heard nothing from anyone in the Church of England with respect to my report on the plight of the abuse survivors whose cases were being reviewed by the ISB.

That does very much surprise me, because during the process of being interviewed for the R4 program 'Sunday', the spokesperson for the C of E (sorry, can't remember who it was!) clearly said that they would be taking up my offer of support and advice. In fact I was slightly embarrassed at how fulsome his praise of my report was.

I am also very sorry to hear that the abuse survivors continue to suffer so much, and that none of them report any progress in their reviews. The whole situation does seem very strange and wretched indeed - but it is one on which I am unable to shed any light.

The only thing I can offer is that if any of the survivors feel they would benefit from general psychological advice, they can contact me. I am not able to offer therapy, I am afraid, because I have not worked as a therapist for some years.

Yours sincerely,

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