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Dear [REDACTED]
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KEY PERSONS PROTECTION SCHEME - COUNCILLOR BREANDÁN MacCIONNAITH,
[REDACTED] AND COUNCILLOR JOE DUFFY, [REDACTED]
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Thank you for your letter of 7 September 1998.

The matter has again been considered and whilst we fully appreciate the concerns expressed, it may not be prudent to be speculative in the current political climate. Of course Councillors MacCionnaith and Duffy will be placed in vulnerable situations, particularly with regard to Drumcree, but no more so than that applicable to others involved in such contentious issues.

In the absence of intelligence to indicate a specific threat to the Councillors, we have again analysed the risk of any potential threat.

Taking all matters into consideration, my letter to you, dated 31 August 1998 remains extant, including the assessed 'Level 4' threat.

Yours sincerely

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