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Maeve O'Rourke

Letter to survivors

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To: Claire McGettrick

13 March 2013 at 19:04

Cc: James Smith Mari Steed Mari Steed Maeve O'Rourke

For your information Maeve (and to recap for myself) -- he dismissed any Dail oversight - any 'interference' by media - any need for statutory powers of discovery (Nuala tells him they have 'six different ways' of getting information)

we tried to make it clear that --he is ostensibly making recommendations about WHAT sort of process should be in place -- we want THAT to be independent.

There would be no rating of levels of abuse suffered - so some kind of lump sum - lost wages and pensions. He spoke a lot of the time as if the process of deciding on what process to recommend to govt. is in fact (fait accompli) the process he has instigated -- finding out what individual women need and paying them off.

I'm frankly getting worried that this is going to be a process that as Claire kept saying today is 'as clear as mud'. We get that long shopping list compiled and then we maybe make more enemies in high places--

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On 13 Mar 2013, at 16:11, Claire McGettrick

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