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Ms C Wintle

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Der Cottle

Thank you for your recent letter. Further to your suggestion that I contact Dorothy Grace-Elder MSP, I have written to her today requesting that we forge some kind of link. I would hope that this would lead to a strengthening of the campaign. As you will know, the Scottish Executive have separate powers on this issue, but I don't see that it can hinder our campaign to share information and ideas. I have read the debate that took place recently on the issue in Scotland, and it seems that there is reason to hope for financial compensation there.

My researcher Rebecca has been looking at the Parliamentary Questions that have been tabled. The ones from your MP, Jim Cousins and the ones that I have tabled appear to be the only recent ones on the matter.

I will of course let you know as soon as I hear from Dorothy Grace-Elder on the matter.

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