

THE INQUIRY INTO HISTORICAL INSTITUTIONAL ABUSE 1922 TO 1995

RESTRICTION ORDER

Pursuant to section 8 of the Inquiry into Historical Institutional Abuse Act (Northern Ireland) 2013

WARNING

If, without reasonable excuse, you contravene this Restriction Order you will be committing an offence contrary to Section 16 of the Inquiry into Historical Institutional Abuse Act (Northern Ireland) 2013 and may be liable on conviction to a fine, or to a term of imprisonment, or to both.

Further, if you contravene this Restriction Order, or threaten so to do, the Chairman of the Inquiry into Historical Institutional Abuse 1922 to 1995, by virtue of Section 17 of the Inquiry into Historical Institutional Abuse Act (Northern Ireland) 2013, may certify the matter to the High Court of Justice in Northern Ireland. The High Court may hold you in Contempt of Court, and may imprison you, fine you or seize any assets you may hold.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THIS ORDER:

- a. This Order is being made by the Chairman of the Inquiry into Historical Institutional Abuse 1922 to 1995 (the Inquiry) pursuant to Section 8 of the Inquiry into Historical Institutional Abuse Act (Northern Ireland) 2013 (the Act).

- b. This Order is being made because the Chairman considers it conducive to the Inquiry fulfilling its Terms of Reference and is in any event necessary in the public interest.
- c. This Order binds all persons (whether acting by themselves or by their servants and/or agents or in any other way) and all companies (whether acting by their directors or officers, servants and/or agents or in any other way).
- d. For the purposes of this Order (i) "a Warning Letter" is any letter sent by the Inquiry which is described as a Warning Letter, together with any documents sent with that letter; (ii) "Draft Report" means any part or parts of the Draft Report prepared by the Historical Institutional Abuse Inquiry, and any documents sent with that part or parts of the Draft Report.

THE ORDER

It is ordered until Further Order:

1. This Order applies to any organisation or individual who is sent a Warning Letter and/or any part or parts of the Inquiry's Draft Report.
2. Any organisation who receives a Warning Letter or any part or parts of the Draft Report may not disclose or discuss the contents or any part of the Warning Letter or of the Draft Report or any document sent therewith with any person except:
 - (i) the person or persons who gave evidence to the Inquiry in oral or written form on behalf of the organisation;
 - (ii) the person who is the chief executive (or the equivalent person in the case of a religious order or organisation) of the organisation;

