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## STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

INTER-DEPARTMENT COMMUNICATION

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FROM Bavid A. Bundy, Director

DATE April 24, 1986

AT (OFFICE)

Division for Children and Youth Services

SUBJECT Macrae Investigation

TO Geraldine O'Connor, Supervisor Portsmouth D.O.

I have listened to the tape of the meeting you had with Roger, Marilyn, and Betty concerning the Macrae investigation. From the tape and the file it is clear we are talking about an incident of sexual abuse which occurred in the summer of 1983. It is unclear why your office treated the report from Dr. Robert Brown as a recent incident requiring collateral contacts and assignment to a social worker.

A more prudent response would have been for you or Priscilla to get as much information as possible from Dr. Brown, contact the Area Administrator, contact the State Office for historical information and coordinate efforts in completing the investigation. This procedure would have avoided the waste of valuable personnel time and probable confusion in the community.

At this time, I want the following done. Marilyn is to complete the investigation and make contact with the following done. She will follow up on any contacts, you or the social worker may have made to confirm with the individuals involved in this investigation, what we have found and to determine if they have any need to pursue this further. In the future, when there is a sensitive case involving a prominent community member, religious or otherwise, I expect you to exercise good judgement in assigning staff and conducting the investigation. Notify the Area Administrator if you are in doubt about which investigations should be assigned differently.

DB/jg