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Dear Mr Newcombe, Ms Doyle, Mr Gorry, Minister Foley, Taoiseach, Tánaiste, members of government and TDs,

Thanks for taking my call Mr Newcombe. I look forward to working with Mr Cathal Goslin as your replacement as Private Secretary after seven years of service in your position. My very best wishes in your new position. We will keep in touch no doubt.

There are many developments with www.onevoice.ie and work to gather together survivor campaigners of child sexual abuse in schools in Ireland which will be addressed separately. However, there is need to address any attempt to character assassinate any campaigner genuinely seeking the fullest, and as complete as possible, national inquiry into the 'culture and causes' of child sexual abuse in schools in Ireland.

Our best job on this issue now, secures our best chance of ensuring an end to the 'culture and causes' of child sexual abuse in schools ever resurging to take root and hold again. It will also establish, by extension, the assistance needed never to repeat the 'aggressive' reception survivors have had to face when they do come forward. Child sexual abuse has neither abated or diminished in Ireland. It has only been displaced. That is unacceptable.

We must deal with the abuse in schools in its totality, and prepare for the work in our wider society which persists. The sexual abuse of children is not limited to the scope that survivors are demanding be addressed across all schools. I know all too personally that this is true, but we much confine ourselves to all school children in this inquiry first.

Please ensure this gets to the Minister, please. One can never say 'please' enough.

William Gorry email of today's date at 09:08AM states:

> "In regards to my call to you on Wednesday the 15th March at 12:00 noon. if I was pushed over the line that it would be going on a hunger strike, once over that line, no one would

take me back off it whatsoever. You questioned **"Did Mark Vincent put you up to this and was he going on hunger strike too?"**

This is an insult to both Mark Vincent Healy and I. Such questions to me about Mark Vincent Healy is very upsetting and distressing to me. For you to involve Mark Vincent Healy in such a negative way, to claim Mark Vincent Healy was influencer or leader or to control me in brining my Political Protest of a hunger strike about is distasteful, you are trying to destroy his good name and character. I want to make it very clear, that my political decisions are mine and certainly of my own and of nobody else. Always have been and forever will be. The cruel, savage and ruthless remarks about Mark Vincent Healy, will have to be taken up by him. However this is not the first time that you have questioned me about him but attacked him."

Copied to you is the email of William Gorry this morning and the further revelations of a conversation between Ms Emer Doyle PO and Head of the RIRU and Mr William Gorry, CEO RISN, one of the largest Redress survivor networks, on Wednesday 15 March at 12:00 noon.

The appalling questions quoted are a 'defamation' of my good name and character. It certainly is consistent with the meaning of 'slander', the action or crime of making a false spoken statement damaging to a person's reputation. I can only wonder if there is any evidence of 'libel' where such attitudes held against me have been shared amongst others with whom I have to conduct business on behalf of survivors of child sexual abuse in schools in Ireland at the department of Education.

I sent an email on the 16 March 2023 (https://bit.ly/40yYHvd) asking for an explanation as to why Mr Gorry was asked "Did Mark Vincent Healy put you up to this?" and "Is Mark Vincent going on hunger strike too?". I have received no acknowledgement or response.

Clearly, Mr Gorry's decision to adopt any stance on initiating a 'political protest' was for him alone to decide. I only came to know of Mr Gorry's decision after the fact. My concern for him and his welfare has always been supportive and consistent.

It is outrageous to infer or claim that Mr Gorry does not enjoy my proper and full respect at all times.

Such comment clearly explains why the RIRU consistently denied me my individual right to represent my family members of Redress in consultations which repeatedly defamed and slandered me at meetings run by agents of the Department of Education.

There is clearly a sinister history of targeted abuse against me confirmed in the statement by Mr Gorry, CEO of Residential Institutions Survivors Network (RISN), where he says, "*However this is not the first time that you have questioned me about him [Mark Vincent Healy] but attacked him*."

This email is confined to the issue of 'defamation' and 'slander'.

I need for it to be addressed and I move on to the far more pressing and substantive issues involving a national inquiry, inclusive of all school children of sexual abuse not just by the catholic religious, to uncover what was the hideous 'culture and causes' which gave rise to such predation of our children in Ireland for over 70 years.

I need for it to be addressed and move on to far more pressing and substantive issues involving the incompetence of government to fail to put in place its own agency for the provision of therapeutic care for all traumatised survivors and not rely on a charitable and

severely limited organisation, One in Four, which lack the capacity and resources necessary for a national support let alone an international support for the many affected by their experiences of child sexual abuse in school in Ireland, the remnant of over 70 years of avoidable abuse, 1922-1992.

If anyone's character is in question, it certainly isn't mine. For that, we ought to be looking at those trying to destroy mine. I want it to stop immediately. There is work to do.

Sincerely,

Mark-Vincent

PS For the last time, my name is Mark-Vincent. I have any number of reasons for calling me as noted in my passport, any official documents, my credit cards, etc However, I am getting annoyed when addressed by any reduction or abbreviation. I have lost both my parents. One wanted to call me Mark, and the other Vincent. Out of respect and memory for both of them, I became more insistent at being addressed as Mark-Vincent.

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Attention of: Minister Norma Foley (Minister for Education},
Ms. Emer Doyle, Principal Officer, Residential Institutions Redress Unit.

Emer,

I refer to my telephone calls to you on both Tuesday 7th March at 16.36 regarding the Scoping inquiry into Historical Sexual Abuse in schools run by the Religious Orders https://www.gov.ie/en/press-release/3fb56-minister-foley-announces-details-of-scoping-inquiry-to-shape-governments-response-to-revelations-of-historical-sexual-abuse-in-schools-run-by-religious-orders/# and my call to you on Wednesday the 15th March at 12noon regarding the recruitment by the Minister of Health Roderick O Gorman for the position of Special Advocate for survivors on Publicjobs.ie. https://www.gov.ie/en/press-release/73a71-government-approves-proposals-for-new-role-of-special-advocate-for-survivors-of-institutional-abuse-and-publishes-collaborative-forum-report/

My emails to you dated Wednesday 15th March 15:25 & 15:41, Monday 27th March 10:54 and Friday 31st March at 10:39. Your replied emails dated Wednesday 15th March 16:47 and Thursday 23rd March at 07:49 has no reference number. I wish to have these correspondence reference and log within your department.

I now wish to outline why I Intend to take to a Political Protest of going on a full hunger strike and my reasons in doing so.

I am so angry and annoyed of what I perceive as unfair treatment with the Minister of Education for not notifying me about the announcement Roderick O'Gorman put out. The advocate to the delivery of the State's response to the legacy of institutional trauma in Mother and Baby or County Home institutions, Magdalen Laundries, Industrial Schools and Reformatories and related institutions. Roderick O'Gorman makes announcement through a third party and not the Minister. This was the announcement for the appointment of a Special Advocate and is what I am in disagreement with and the government showing nothing but discrimination. RIRB survivors supports and services should have been well provided for by now. We are left unknow about end of life supports, when we will receive end of life supports.

Neither RISN, its 400 members or I are happy with this whatsoever and is total disrespectful to us.

The whole announcement of special advocate was ever so wrong. There has been an ongoing issue that both RISN and I seems to be thrown aside as if I didn't exist since the start of the consultation talks promised and assigned to me on the 17th of November 2017 and this still has not come to an end being true that having a report written and provided by a panel. This was to be the end of life supports and services of which none of it came into effect and while hundreds of survivors pass away and their families have lost their love ones. Disgusting and Shame on the Department of Education.

Madeline Laundries came in after RIRB survivors and were first to get benefits and top up to their pensions for their end of life. Mother and Baby Homes is schedule to conclude this summer, which will have the end of life supports and benefits that I have been requesting to have for RIRB survivors. Mother and Baby Homes been put before RIRB end of life support and services. The Special advocate is not who can represent our issues when a Special Advocate is someone who has to separate out each and every concern. RIRB survivors are been treated unfairly and differently, therefore we should not be put together when we are not treated with the greatest respect. I am disgusted and find it appalling the way which end of life supports and services are delayed for RISN members, all RIRB survivors and their families. I question what is it about Special Advocate when you cant treat us with respect or equality? You show me absolutely nothing but disrespect, disregard and neglect toward myself, my work. It is appalling You don't notify me of Special Advocate or anything your doing so that we could communicate about it before hand. I ask were other survivor made aware of it and why not me? How come Special Advocate was made know to me by another survivor and not by you to me? This is an unbelievable act of failure to addressing our end of life needs, that I have been calling for since 17 November 2017 for the very same purpose.

With regards to the Special Advocate and same regarding notification of same, RISN 400 members or I is not treated the same as any other, but won't be treated in any way different, disrespected or discriminated against. Why did we not have any say or anything to do with it? Participating in issue of end of life was nabbed from my hands. Instead of addressing the issues I question, that you created through Roderick O'Gorman and failure through the Minister in asking what the hell is going on. I demand answers on my behalf and of RISN 400 members.

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I have already outlined to you in recent emails the following:

1) I will not be bullied or thrown to anyone. Any questions, communications or correspondence from me is a matter and responsibility for you and your Minister to respond too. I cannot take any more of this abuse from the Department of Education. ENOUGH is ENOUGH.
2) If Scoping Inquiry into Historical Sexual Abuse in Schools run by Religious Orders" is only for Blackrock College etc. why does it say "Revelations of Historical sexual abuse in schools run by religious orders" ??
3) Not only I but many survivors are fed up, exhausted, and feeling so down with the report after reports, scoping inquiries, talks, delays and excuses. It was supports and service for the well-being, Mental Health, end of life and survival of life that they need and want as a priority. We have enough of the horrendous and continuous abuse, been caused so much hurt, distress and pain, by the Department of Education, Department for Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth and those you have involved.
4) Survivors are not listen to nothing is survivor led or allow to be survivor led by Department of Education. It what the state and its departments wants and not providing to survivors what should be.
5) In November 2017 the letter I had received for consultation talks was ripped back from me, I was made cry, suffer, and it your department decided on two facilitators to run the consultation talks that was supposed to have engaged with 100 survivors. Thousands and thousands of Euro was wasted on this project going on for years. Nothing as usual only survivors excluded and discriminatory.
6) I made it very clear that based on what has been happening over and over, survivors suffering and left with pain, being neglected and denied the supports and services and how I felt, such recruitment by the Minister of

Health Roderick O'Gorman for the position of Special Advocate for survivors and the Scoping Enquiry by the Department of Education, that it was unacceptable treatment and further abuse to survivors and I.

7) I have my own mind and make my own decisions as I told you and I am capable of such too. This is what department of education will have pushed me over the line in doing. This is the damaging effect that the department of education and health don't get what they are doing to Survivors and I.

I have a right to Political Protest and will do so for getting attention to issues that are very concerning and are always ignored. While I am ignored and the issues are ignored I will take to this Political Protest. When you won't listen to me or address the awful concerns I have, telling me **" I am not in position to engage further with you in respect of your correspondence. if you require any further support, please contact 090-6483625."** This is very disrespectful and belittling.

As CEO of RISN, a survivor myself,, working with and for survivors for the last 6 years, I have. National/International reputation on matter and issues effecting survivors. I am in the National/International media known for my work with and on behalf od RIRB survivors. You and the government treat me in such an appalling and disgusting manner and way. This to me is totally unacceptable, cruel and nasty.

Finally, unless the matters above that has not been addressed and you have shamed me for, that these matters are addressed and that must be addressed above. My Political Protest by going on a full hunger strike will start as and from Wednesday midnight 5th April 2023. This Political Protest is for what has been going on and going on for way too long period of years and time. I wish to make it very clear that I make this decision on my own and for the reasons outlined above. Should it be that I am push over the line of Wednesday 5th April midnight by Minister for Education and her department to taking to a full hunger strike, nothing or no one thereafter will take me off it. This will not be me causing harm or risk to my health but what the Department of Education and its Minister has placed upon me.

This matter now lies with your Minister and Department of Education as to whether this matter is resolved by Wednesday midnight the 5th April next.

Sincerely,

William Gorry.