

# **Police Complaints Authority**

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Ref.92/0500/jnr

8 February 1993

Mr Arthur C Foote 65 Rowses Road CHRISTCHURCH

Dear Mr Foote,

I am now able to notify you of the result of my review of the investigation of your complaint, the investigation report and the material generated during the investigation and relevant to it having been referred for my review since last you were written to.

The principal element of your complaint was that the Police released to television journalists from the Holmes Show information relating to your son's case which, when subsequently broadcast, could have been damaging to any change of plea he may have made.

Enquiries were accordingly made of TVNZ to establish the source of the information on which the item broadcast was based. During the investigation the Executive Producer of Current Affairs at TVNZ wrote to say that Christchurch Police were indeed contacted after the Television people became interested in your son's case.

The Police report that on being approached by TVNZ no information was released from Police sources. What happened was that some of the complainants' parents were asked if they were prepared to talk to the TV journalist concerned. The details of those parents were then notified to TVNZ.

A TVNZ journalist then spoke to those parents who were prepared to talk about the circumstances leading to your son's prosecution and to some of the young men concerned. Most of the material in the programme came from that source.

A TVNZ representative has confirmed that none of the allegations involving drinking and violence were made to the journalist by the Police. The statements were made, TVNZ says, by one of the boys in your son's care.

Concerning the letter from the Minister of Social Welfare to your son to which you referred in your letter of complaint, a copy of this was given to TVNZ by one of the boys who had been in your son's care.

Nga Pirihimana O Aotearoa

Ref: 93/538/2

20 August 1993

Mr A F Foote Private Bag 4726 CHRISTCHURCH accused Det power of falsifying try statement which I mode on sept 32 1992, I demanded a copy of the police reply.

Dear Sir

I acknowledge receipt of your letter dated 20 July 1993 requesting a copy of the original statement made by you to Detective Power.

At this time your request is unable to be complied with. I am advised by Detective Power that the notebook containing the interview has been lost. Searches have been made for the notebook without success to date.

As the loss of this notebook also effects two other criminal investigations and court proceedings considerable efforts have been made to locate it. Evidence that the notebook has been lost has had to be given to the courts in one of the other matters mentioned.

I apologise for the delay in replying to your letter but it was hoped that further internal enquiries would locate the notebook so your request could be satisfied.

In the event the notebook is located you will be forwarded a copy of the entry you require forthwith.

Yours faithfully

C T Dalzell

Detective Senior Sergeant Operations Manager

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30 November 1992

Mr Antony Foote Addington Prison Private Bag 4726 CHRISTCHURCH

Dear Mr Foote

Thank you for your letter which reached me today.

A complaint about the alleged release to the TV media by the Police of information about the matters leading to your arrest was lodged by your father on 15 November 1992. That matter is currently under investigation by the Police at my request.

I note that in addition to reiterating the complaint to which I have referred, your letter also traversed several issues relating to the investigation of the offences with which you are charged and the conduct of the investigating detectives.

As your case has not yet come to Court it is clear that when it does an opportunity will be presented for your counsel to take up most of the points you have raised in that area.

I will write to you again in due course.

Yours faithfully

(J F Jeffries)

POLICE COMPLAINTS AUTHORITY

Antony . R. FOOTE Tinohanga Paeroa Prison Private bag, 4726 Christchurch 03 02 94. Dear Sin; With regards to my complaint, containing 5 substantiatable points. I would like to know what progress you have made in your investigation into these matters, please. yours Faithfully. Sent 8/2/ar

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Police questioning Private bag 4726. ADDINGTON CHRISTCHURCH Dear Sir. My name is Antony Foote ; Lam a former Dept of social welfare foster parent. On 22nd of September, I was a legedly sexually abising all boys in my care, whether 0.5.W or private ober a period of six years. I have a very serious complaint to make with regards to the handling of the supposed investigation. At this point I wish to advise that this matter will be released to all media upon my sentencing. My complaint covers a very broad spectrum of events, including the way in which supposed evidence was gathered. Points in order. y louring search) Comments were made by detective Power, with regards to certain articles of clothing which belonged to an alleged complainant, as well as other items. These comments were accompanied by a smirk, they included Juson again, You notice it's always Jason (kerr), (Joson Kerr is Joson Griebel, 11/7) the nephew of inspector Mal Griebel Chil police; llave you noticed that everythings fason? I believe that this detective had already decided that I was quilty before he orrived at 17 CARGILL PLACE 2, Seni pornographic photo's, equipment for smaking cannabis and underwear, all belonging to Scott Batchelon, a boarder, who was accused by Joson Kerr, Daniel Ball, Christophen Ball, of sodomising them, were siezed during the raid Detective Power insinuated that there items were nine, until foson Ng, also a boardon, told him that all items belonged to Scott Batchelon the detectives answer was "Who; supposed is this?" I told him that it was Scotts, (it was the upper right kitchen suppoard in which the canabis

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# JOB SHEET

OFFENCE: REGARDING FOOTE

30.09.92 0800 hrs

Receive phone call from Henry ACKERMAN, 35 Leicester Crescent, phone 338 7448, father of Andrew ACKERMAN.

### States:

I just thought I'd give you a ring and let you know that Tony FOOTE was writing a book entitled Seven Years of HARD Work on Boys. Apparently it was going to be an autobiography on boys. I've know Tony since 1981 so I know him fairly well. He showed me this manuscript about three months ago but wouldn't let me read it. It's about two inches thick and in a green folder. He told me that he would be hiding it so nobody could find it.

B J W Reeves Detective Constable 7694 Christchurch 30 September 1992



Ref:

19 November 1992

Mr A R Foote C/- Addington Prison Private Bag 4726 CHRISTCHURCH

Dear Tony

I am writing to acknowledge receipt of your most recent letter dated 6
November. Your letters received at this Station on 20 October and 3
November are also acknowledged.

I would like to advise you that enquiries into the various matters raised in those letters are continuing. Prosecutions are likely to result in at least two cases where sufficient independent evidence of an offence exists.

The matter of whether the information is valuable or not is complicated by a number of issues, firstly most of the information is principally uncorroborated, that is to say that there are no independent witnesses other than the various co-offenders. Such people do not generally make good prosecution witnesses and for that and various other reasons they are rarely used by the Police.

The second issue relates to your giving evidence and the judicial weight that would be given to that evidence in a Court of law. Because of the nature of your past relationship with some of these offenders it would be reasonable for the Judge to assume that you are acting in retaliation and your evidence would therefore be considered tainted.

Please do not let this deter you from writing however. All the information provided will be reviewed and the appropriate action will be taken.

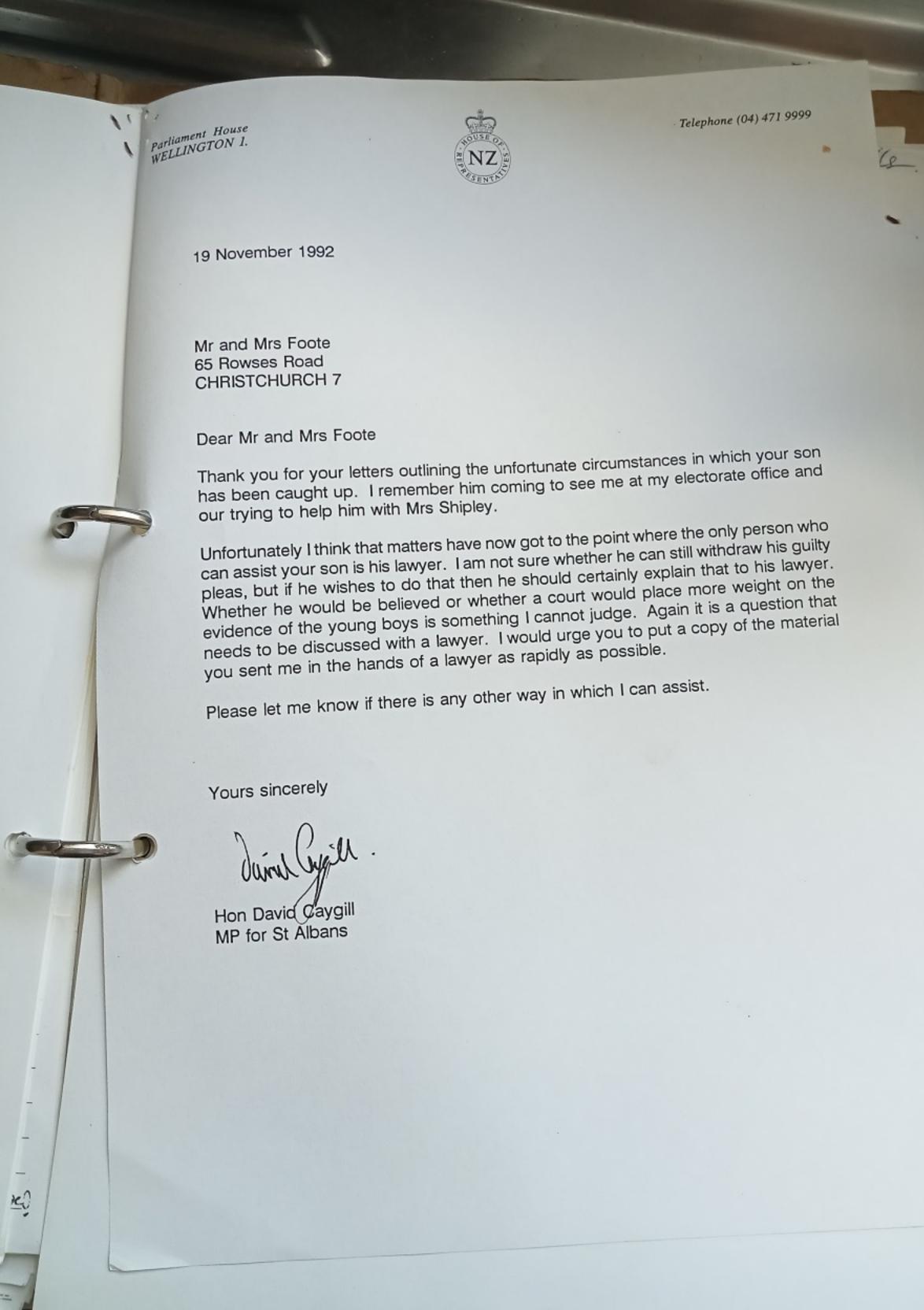
Yours sincerely

Hugh Kearns Constable

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# Cheers greet conviction

Cheers and applause from about 20 people in the public gallery greeted the conviction of a man on indecency charges. The man, a Department of Social Welfare approved foster parent, was committed to the High Court for sentence on December 3 on charges of indecency on five boys under the age of 13 between September 1989 and last month.

In the District Court yesterday Judge McDonald declined jurisdiction. He said he found conflict in letters containing a degree of affection from the complainants written to Anthony Robert Foote, aged 34, with the contents of the victim impact reports. Neither had he had time to read a sheaf of letters handed to him by a court attendant from parents. These, he said, would be forwarded for the sentencing judge to consider.

He also questioned the dates of testimonials submitted relating to Foote's excellent work with what counsel, Mr Stan Barker, described as "damaged or difficult" children placed in his care and asked whether they had been written prior to the offending.

Mr Barker said while accepting that the offending was of a serious nature none had been committed in a forceful or brutal way. He submitted that aspects of the exact nature of the offending in the police summary had been somewhat misleading.

In reply to a question from Judge McDonald regarding the contents of the victim impact reports with the letters received by Foote in prison from the children, Mr Barker said it was not unknown for complaints put to police under parental guidance in relation to child abuse cases to be slanted for monetary gain from the ACC.

The cheers and clapping from the public gallery occurred as Foote left the dock for the cells. Not seen by the defendant was a car outside the main door of the court that bore a placard reading: "One Foote in the Grave".

Foote had earlier admitted charges of indecency on five boys after police earlier withdrew the original charge of committing anal intercourse on a boy under 10.

Two of the abused boys were

welfare placements. The other three boys were the children of friends who entrusted them to Foote's care. The offending involved Foote masturbating and performing oral sex on the boys.

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SODOMY CHARGE

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No order was sought for suppression of the name of the defendant.

FURTHER REMAND

(2)1-10-92

Anthony Robert Foote, aged 34, unemployed, who faces a charge of having anal intercourse with a boy, aged between seven and 10, was further remanded on bail to October 21

The court was told at the defendant's previous appearance that police had concern for the safety of possibly eight or nine alleged victims of Foote involving alleged offending over the last three years.

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# Jail to get units for mentally ill inmates

By BARRY CLARKE and MATT CONWAY

PECIAL psychiatric units will be built at prisons from next year to hold criminals with mental illnesses. Justice Minister Doug Graham told the Sunday Star-Times yesterday the first at Paparua Prison, near Christchurch is expected to be open by August.

If the trial 60-bed unit was a success, others would be built at jails throughout the country, he

said.

The move comes as the Government is under increasing pressure to deal with the problem of crimes committed by the mentally ill.

Mr Graham said the courts were dealing with a growing number of people with psychiatric problems and a special type of jail was needed to keep the community safe and to try to help the offenders.

The IHC has endorsed the plan, but lobby groups opposing the Government's mental health policies say the psychiatric units are not

the answer.

Mr Graham denied the units were being built because mental hospitals could no longer cope.

"The courts decide if a person goes to jail, or if the person is insane, he or she goes into the menal health system," he said.

The psychiatric unit at Paparua puld enable people with mental blems who had been jailed for get special care, which they calm inmates down.

might not get if they were in a mainstream jail.

"It may well be that a prison as we know it isn't the right place for them, but something secure is needed where their problems can be dealt with," Mr Graham said.

The units would be similar in concept to the high-security Kia Marama unit for sex offenders at Rolleston Prison, near Christchurch. This unit is fenced off from the jail, which holds minimum-risk inmates.

Health Minister Jenny Shipley said the mental health chiefs and the Justice Department had planned the units for some months.

She was heartened the IHC had

agreed with the plan.

"The IHC knows that someone who has committed a crime may have been intellectually incapacitated," she said.

IHC chief executive Mr J. B. Munro said he was happy with the units because they would provide specialist support for the mentally ill who committed crimes.

But the Schizophrenia Fellowship said it would try to stop the units going ahead.

President Jim Crowe said people with mental illnesses needed help, but not in a prison.

The group fighting to overturn the closure of Templeton Hospital fears a psychiatric unit at Paparua will not meet the needs of the mentally ill.

Spokeswoman Alison Adams said nes to be segregated from the it was likely drugs instead of other ral prison population. They forms of therapy would be used to



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Dear Mr Foote

I acknowledge your letter of 15 November 1992 making a complaint against the Police.

Your letter sufficiently identifies the matter complained of and this appears to be within my jurisdiction to conduct an investigation.

I have referred your complaint to the Commissioner of Police so that a Police investigation can be carried out. When the result of this Police investigation is reported to me I will review the Police file and if necessary make further enquiries.

In due course I will decide whether I agree with the manner in which the investigation has been carried out and the conclusion reached by the Police.

I will write to you again after I have received the Police report.

Yours faithfully

J N Roberts

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Investigating Officer for
POLICE COMPLAINTS AUTHORITY

to this complaint after eight weeks. 18/11/93

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# NEW ZEALAND POLICE

## JOB SHEET

OFFENCE: ANAL INTERCOURSE, UNLAWFUL SEXUAL CONNECTION

# 22.9.92 INTRODUCTION

On Sunday 20 September 1992, two complaints were taken alleging unlawful sexual connection. The suspect nominated was Antony Robert FOOTE, 17 Cargill Place, Shirley.

FOOTE until two weeks ago was listed as a foster parent with the New Zealand Family and Foster Federation. Extreme cases would be placed with FOOTE by the Department of Social Welfare. It is believed he has had under his care approximately 6 boys and may have interfered with up to 8 or 9.

On 22 September 1992, a Justin Benjamin KERR, 96 Emmett Street, aged 10 years, was interviewed by Specialist Services under an audio visual video system and the interview was recorded by them. As a result of the video interview and the statements made by the two victims mentioned in paragraph 1, namely Scott John BATCHELOR and Kevin O'CONNOR, a search warrant was executed at FOOTE's address.

#### 1630 hrs

On arrival at the address FOOTE was present in the kitchen. He was furnished with a copy of the search warrant and immediately cautioned. A search was carried out of the whole of the house and during this search I spoke to FOOTE. I advised him that he was entitled to consult a solicitor and suggested he do that as I intended to interview him regarding serious allegations made of an indecency nature.

Following the execution of the warrant, FOOTE returned to the Papanui Police Station for interview.

#### 1745 hrs

On arrival at the Papanui Police Station, FOOTE was placed in an interview room and allowed to speak to his solicitor, David BUNCE.

#### 1800 hra

Commence interview of:

Antony Robert FOOTE 17 Cargill Place Shirley Ph 3856 187 DOB 17.12.57 OCC Unemployed sickness beneficiary

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Remind of caution.

- What was your capacity whereby you were looking after Scott BATCHELOR at your address?
- A Foster parent two thirds of the time, for the rest as a boarder.
- Q When did he arrive?
- A About 10th March last year.
- Q Who arranged for him to be there?
- A The Department of Social Welfare and then after that, after he went away he came back of his own free will. Then after I threw him out he came back again.
- Q How long have you been a foster parent?
- A Approximately 6 years. It's about 1987 I think.
- Q Are you able to list all the foster children you have had?
- A Yes, DSW? yes.
- Q Yes.
- A Full names.
- Q Yeah?
- A Justin, George, Terrance BATCHELOR, Jason Mark NG, Stephen Charles HIGGINS, Graham Daniel LILLEY, Scott John BATCHELOR, Shannon WILLIAMSON.
- Q What about Kevin O'CONNOR?
- A No.
- Q How is it that he visited your place?
- A He knew Jason. Jason Mark NG.
- Q Their allegation is that over a period of years you've performed oral sex on them. Blow jobs.
- A Do I deny that or say no comment. I can't remember what he said.
- Q It's over to you?
- A Well I'm denying all charges anyway.
- Q That is what Scott and Kevin allege? That you have performed oral sex on them. That you have given them blow jobs.
- A I deny it.
- Q Do you have any idea why they would say that?
- A No I don't.

- You haven't fallen out with them? 0
- Yes I have. Would you like me to be explicit. A
- Yes. Q
- Approximately a week ago I reported through someone else that A Scott had stolen a Triumph 2500, a white one, from a bend at Windsor Corner. It's a white one that sits in there. He took the radio out of it. He took it home and asked Jason NG to sell it for him.
- Did he sell it?
- Yes he sold it. I believe it's actually been handed in.
- Who did you report this to? Q
- I reported it to the shop owner who contacted Scott. A
- Who's the shop owner? Q
- Stewart. I'm not sure what his name is.
- How long ago do you say your report to the shop-keeper was? Q
- A Last Friday.
- Scott says he hasn't been living at your place for two weeks.
- He's been back and forward. I reported it last week, it was stolen before that, about three weeks ago. I was approached by the shop owner to find out if it was stolen.
- You didn't report it to the Police though, did you? Q
- I was going to but Stewart said "I'll do it now". A
- Where does Stewart work? Q
- I think it's called "Once or Twice Dealers". I think it's on A the corner of Warrington and Hills Road.
- Why would Kevin make an allegation like this? Q
- A Because I turned him in to the Police for burglarising Shirley Intermediate School. He's burgled it twice. He had caps that I think he used for a starting pistol. That's approximately three weeks ago.
- Do you give your name when you turned him in? Q
- Yes I did. As well as reporting it to the Police I also A reported it to the school principal the morning after. Along with the fact that Kevin bunked twice and came round to my place with a boy called David McCONICHIE. They had stolen a BMX from the school and Kevin said to David "Don't worry Tony won't say anything", but I did say something. Then the school reported it to the Social Worker, Jenny WALKER of the Shirley office DSW who immediately went to the foster parents, Marie and Brian ELLIOTT, and told them that I or "Wee Jay" had narked him off to the Police.

- "Wee Jay" is? Jason KERR. Brian and Marie knew about the caps and the other things he had stolen from the school. Marie took the caps off Kevin and said "Where did you get these" and he said he found them in a filing cabinet in some teacher's classroom at school. Marie then said to Kevin "You've stolen them" and he said "So what, Chantelle stole a dollar from school and you didn't tell her off". Marie handed them back to Kevin and he distributed them amongst the other boys, including Jason KERR. Daniel BULL, David McCONICHIE and a few other kids I don't know, and that's when the shit really hit the fan. Also Kevin was found with a packet of cannabis in his pants. I said to Brian and Marie who found it ..... Kevin said he had been given it by David McCONICHIE. I said to them either they report it to the Department of Social Welfare or I would.
- Q So you believe because you have tried to correct these two boys they have made this story against you, essentially?
- A Essentially.
- Q Would Scott BATCHELOR ever have seen you naked?
- A I would say absolutely. We used to go to QE II swimming.
- Q How do you account for so many pairs of boys underpants in your room?
- A Cause boys that stay they bring spare underwear ....

1840 hrs Interrupts and requests a cup of coffee.

1845 hrs Return with cup of coffee.

- A And I do the washing and as you would see when I was round there I just throw it all on the bed. As you would have seen there are all different clothes here, all different sizes. They go home, I'll let them build up and then I dump them. They're supposed to take them home. A lot of them have been there for years.
- Yesterday you had Jason KERR with you over the lunch break?

  Yes I also had my brother with me. Since I heard of the allegations I have not been alone with the kids.
- It's true though that you were alone with him when you picked him up and dropped him off?

A No it's not. My brother was with me when I picked him up, it was only us two when I dropped him back.

- Q So despite your worry about being alone you were for part of it over lunch alone with Jason?
- A Yeah for about four minutes.
- Q You threatened Jason about speaking to the Police during the lunch break?
- A That's not true.
- Q Would you be surprised if I told you that Jason KERR told me you did threaten him?
- A I would be very surprised. Absolutely.
- Q Did you speak to or with Jason KERR or his mother last night?
- A Yes.
- Q Personally or over the phone?
- A Personally, I went there with Jason NG. It was about 7 o'clock or something.
- Q Did you question him about what I had asked him?
- A No I didn't actually.
- Q Did Jason question Jason about my questions?
- A No cause like I say we were all in the room together. But Graham KETTLE did.
- Q Margaret says you did?
- A Sorry but I didn't.
- Q Do you know where Jason KERR has been today?
- A No.
- Q I understand Jason has been looking for him. Jason didn't tell you where he was?
- A No.
- Q Jason KERR has been with me almost all day.
- A Im hm.
- Jason KERR says that you have sodomised him at least 25 times. Made him perform oral sex with you almost every visit. Have you done this?
- A I deny that.
- Q Would you now like to tell me why Jason would make this story up?
- A I don't know.
- Q No grudges between each other?
- A No.

14:11

- Q Do you appreciate there will be medical evidence if he has been sodomised?
- A How do you mean medical evidence.
- Q There will be evidence of activity in the anal area if he has been sodomised.
- A Yes.
- Q You do not expect a medical examination to reveal that with him?
- A No.
- Q Also with me today was Daniel BULL. Do you know him?
- A Yes.
- Q He alleges the same thing? What do you say about that?
- A Well I deny that.
- Q Do you know why he would say that?
- A No I don't.
- Q Both boys have outlined a number of other victims who have been interfered with by you? These people are all going to be interviewed. What if they give a similar account, are they all lying?
- A Oh yes.
- Q Why would there be this great conspiracy against you?
- A I don't know.

of the video interview of KERR and asked him to reconsider his denial of the allegations. He requested to speak to his solicitor Mr David BUNCE a second time and was given a phone call.

1935 hrs Return to interview room and discuss the interview with Mr BUNCE.

- Q As I said to Mr BUNCE that pretty well concludes my interview.
- A Yeah, well I'm smart enough to know it's over, thank God it is.
- Q Do you want to say anything else in relation to this?
- A Yes I want to answer the specific allegations but I want to do it right. I want to save them the agony of going through videos and the like.

- Q I take that to mean you want to speak to your lawyer and do it through him.
- A Yes. It's just that some of those charges are bullshit and some are not.

I then read the interview back to the suspect with him and made corrections. The defendant then wrote at the bottom of the interview "I have read this interview in its entirety and I have initialled all changes. I do not wish to make a statement until I have consulted my lawyer. This interview is true and correct I have nothing further to add".

1950 hrs Interview completed.

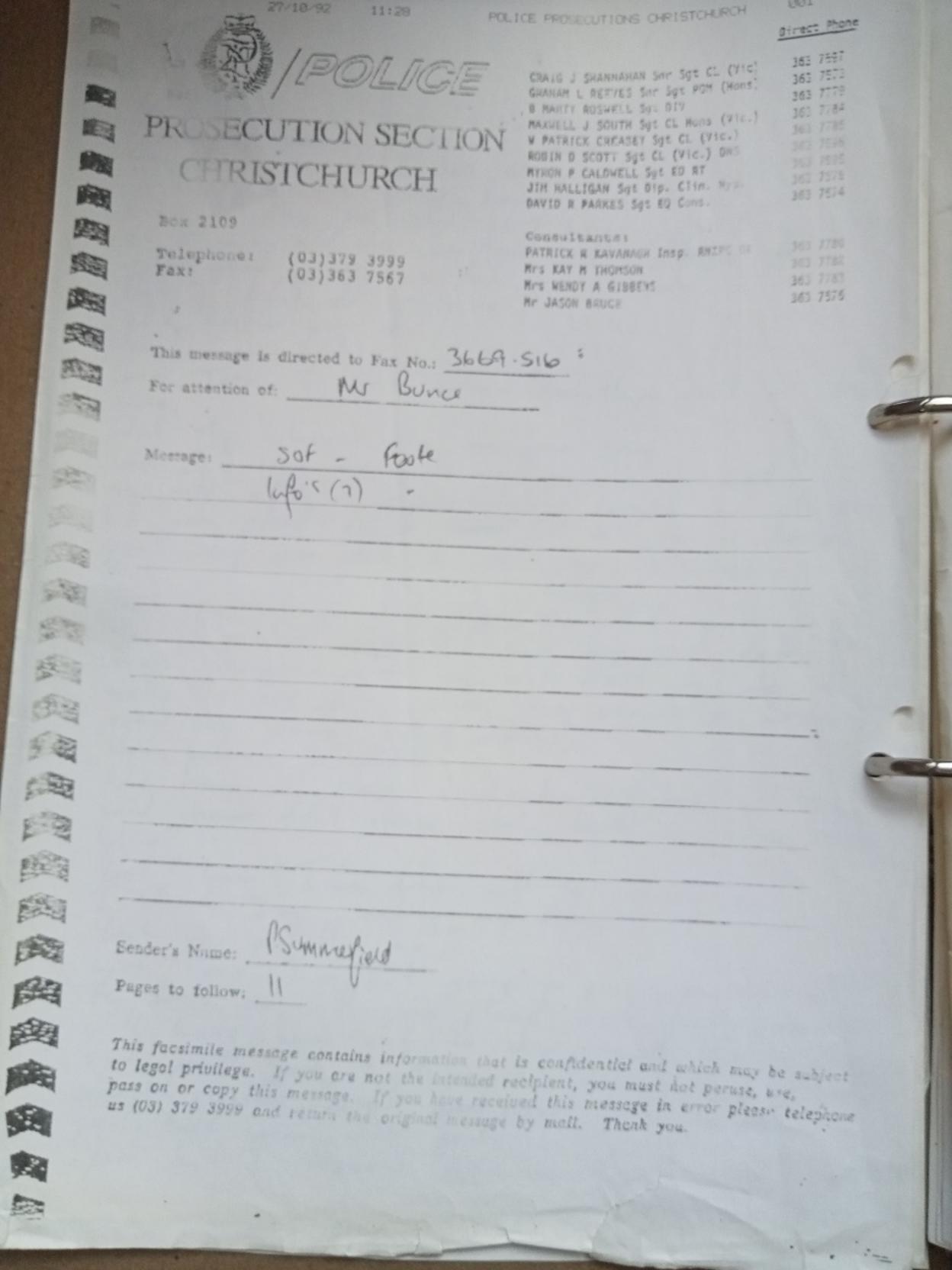
When I was filling out a form with the defendant, he said to me

- A What will happen about my flat with Jason and Matt.
- Q In the eyes of the law you are innocent until proven guilty.
- A No I'm as guilty as hell.
- Q Get your lawyer to chase that up.

On arrival at the Papanui Police Station as the defendant was being processed, I formally charged him. I told him he had been charged with anal intercourse with a person under 16 years. Do you want to say anything in relation to the charge. You are not obliged to say anything unless you wish to do so and anything you do say will be taken down in writing and produced as evidence.

A No, plenty of time tomorrow.

C J Power Detective 7159 Papanui 23 September 1992





Ref: 93/538/2

20 August 1993

Mr A F Foote Private Bag 4726 CHRISTCHURCH

Dear Sir

I acknowledge receipt of your letter dated 20 July 1993 requesting a copy of the original statement made by you to Detective Power.

At this time your request is unable to be complied with. I am advised by Detective Power that the notebook containing the interview has been lost. Searches have been made for the notebook without success to date.

As the loss of this notebook also effects two other criminal investigations and court proceedings considerable efforts have been made to locate it. Evidence that the notebook has been lost has had to be given to the courts in one of the other matters mentioned.

I apologise for the delay in replying to your letter but it was hoped that further internal enquiries would locate the notebook so your request could be satisfied.

In the event the notebook is located you will be forwarded a copy of the entry you require forthwith.

Yours faithfully

C T Dalzell Detective Senior Sergeant Operations Manager

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6/ Pobice told the DSW that there would be publicity. They were told that this would be used to add strength to the case of the prosecution. (Ref DSW fostering file .A.R.FOOTE. Community alternatives, Kingslea resource centre, CHCH.O

7/ All compainants are adjoined by friendship etc. Each supported the others. This is an un winnable situation when fought under the reign of sex abuse hysteria and the overall belief of guilt until innocence is proven.

I make this complaint knowing all details to be true. Thursday the eighth of October, Nineteen ninty three.

CHILDREN & YOUNG PERSONS

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SERVICE

22 October 1992

Regional Manager Southern CHRISTCHURCH

Detertive Reeve

SUB: TONY FOOTE: CONVERSATION WITH DETECTIVE REEVE:

I spoke to Report about the Tony Foote case.

Foote has offended against. The list contained nine names, seven of these being children who have been placed in his care by the Department. (see appendix one).

The Police will proceed on five of the cases as the others present difficulties.

Mr Foote will appear in Court on 28 October and will please quilty on seven various forms of indecencies.

Implications for the Department:
The Police officer stated he would mention in the summary of facts that Mr Foote was an approved foster parent of the Department. The rationale for this would be to strengthen his case of Mr Foote abusing positions of trust and responsibility. This would have media attention.

a separate report for the Police. This report would be discussed with the Department.

who is a ward of the Director-General, is also implicated in the indecencies as an offender. The Police will proceed on these matters when Mr Foote is sentenced.

At present is placed with foster parents. A safe behaviour plan is in place that never allows to be alone in the home with the foster children.

General:

The Police state that Mr Foote was supplied boys by other people in the street. It would seem that the case is very complicated and the Police will proceed with the cases they know they can deal with. It was stated that Mr Foote could receive a prison term of up to four years.

John Huston
Manager
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KINGSLEA

To Officer In Charge INFO: altorney General Police Complaints authority Marisles of Police Wellington. HON. J. andolis-15.11.92 District commissiones of Police CHC Re = Case against antony Robert Foote. Charges Induced acts against young Bays. I wish to lodge a complaint against the Police of improper practice by releasing information about a current case which has yet to reach a conclusion to a Nation wide To Programme, this was released from the Christehnich Se This pertains to the Holman Show shown on Friday 13th Navenden 1992 at 6.30 pm. I'm this Programme certain statements were made against my Son antony Robert Foots which 1. He plyed the young persons with alcohol helone he sinally abused them. This is unformeded as he has always been anti alachelo (See House Rules) 2. The Bay being intervised stated my Son had used violence, this is also untime (See Court Report) 3. The Same boy said he had a sinen fitted near the back door to warm him of anyon Coming unexspectedly, and catching him Carrying out Sexual acts. This was also a misleading statement as it was a properly filted Burglan alasm, which was only solutiled on when he went to bed at night, or when he was absent from the House during the d



**Police Complaints Authority** 

7th Floor Local Government Building, 114-118 Lambton Quay, Wellington. written by dad a couple of

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was going.

REF: 92-500/jnr

3 February 1993

Mr Arthur C Foote 65 Rowses Road CHRISTCHURCH 7

Dear Mr Foote

Thank you for your letter of 1 February 1993 in which you expressed disquiet, firstly, at the time being taken to investigate your complaint and, secondly, that it was being investigated by Police officers rather than by this Authority directly.

On consulting the Authority's file relating to the complaint I note that the circumstances under examination were brought to notice in your letter of 15 November 1992. The letter, addressed to the Officer in Charge, Police Complaints Authority, was also copied by you as information for the Attorney-General, the Minister of Police, Hon. J. Anderton and Hon. D Caygill.

The information copy that was addressed to the Minister of Police was I see, referred by him to the Commissioner of Police for investigation of the concerns you had set out in it. This is as might be expected. You will be able to see from this that an investigation of the matters you brought up in your letter by the Police was inevitable. I think you will also be able to see that it is incorrect therefore to say, as you do in your recent letter, that this Authority handed the complaint to the Police to investigate. In fact the investigation by the Police was the direct result of your addressing an information copy of your letter to the Minister.

The result was that when, in accordance with the Act governing complaints, this Authority notified the Commissioner of Police that a complaint had been received here from you it was found that the Police had already opened an investigation into the matters you brought to the Authority's attention.

I am sure you will appreciate that to duplicate the enquiries the Police were already making in that investigation would not be appropriate, particularly as, under the Act, the Police investigation report and all material generated during the its independent review before the matter could be finalised.

01-02-93 Info: altorney general RTHOW I Bank hunta pholic How D. Caygill. Police Complaints authority P.O Box 5025 Wellington your Ry. 92-500/JNR. Reference Complaint against Police by a. b. Foote. against the Christohurch Police Dept for releasing Information about my sons Court Case, to the Holines Shows screened on 13th November 1992. This derogatory programme was screened His weeks before my son was sentenced. It is now over six weeks since my son was sentenced, or eleven weeks since I first put to you my complaint, I consider this more than sufficient time to have investigated the complaint. I am very concerned that you handed the complant to the folice to investigate, as I was under the impression the complaints authority was set up to stop this very procedure of Palice investigating Pelice. am also concerned that the lower eclelon who would be corrying out the investigation would be the very person or ferrous who heated the information to the Holmes should, so could come out a white wash of the affect affective of the result you may receive from the impormation

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3. When Vicki-Wilkinson Davies the Investigatives reporter wears contacted by telephone before the programme was finished, and where the information was obtained, who stated emphatically the information was obtained from the Palice. It is stated in your letter (last Para) that a senior representative of TVN2 said the Palice had mot given them any information. I ask you sir who is living here the reporter on the shot or the Representative in lie affire De the letter from Jenny Shipley has been in my hands since the day it was received by my son, and still is, so there is no way a copy could have been obtained. unlers fran the Palice Via my Sons lauryer or the Social neelfale defit, (5.) Para 5 your letter. most of the information came from that Source (complainants). where did the rest of the information come from as it would be breaking Sub-fudici. To End sir, for the Police to have contacted the conflainants and asked them to appear on the Holmes show and then passed an their manes and addresses to TUNZ, they not only comulted a breach of Sub Judici (content with the hedice) but condoned is Holmes presentation. In which case I hald them responsible for any statements made on the Halms Show. It affears not only to me, but to olkers that all the Way through this investigation there have been a lot of un truths. So Sin I would like your Deft to investigate again my complaint, more thouroughly Joul/ why 65 Revises Road. Charletinch Pa 3881480

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