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Chief Repa

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Dear Chief Repa.

It has taken many years for my wife to face her abuse and muster the courage to talk about it. As you are probably aware, trust issues play a huge role in the lives of survivors. My wife decided to come forth when the O.P.P. initiated project truth. She felt confident at that time, the O.P.P. were far enough removed from any City of Cornwall influence. That would afford her some degree of comfort. This was in its self a huge step.

I can tell you our hopes for justice were alive. That all came crashing down a few months later when we were informed the case had been handed to the Cornwall Police, we were crushed. I pled with Const. Tyo to tear up the report and forget about the whole thing. Of course he told me that was not possible.

I asked the O.P.P. to take the case back, they said no, it did not fit their mandate.

I had assumed that Project Truth would mimic Project Jericho and certainly ritualistic child abuse

would be part of it. Not so, I was told Project Jericho was different and Project Truth was for men and boys only.

My stomach turned as I realized the magnitude of this and recalled the death threat we had received a few years prior. As so it would seem, my wife had warned me that this would happen. A most uncomfortable situation.

In your letter to us, you wanted the investigation to remain within your department, so it would seem we have no options but Cornwall Police Services. I contacted Sgt Carter and asked him to assign Const. Dunlop to investigate. At this point we knew of Dunlop's reputation and where he stood, like it or not he has shown great character. Even so, Sgt. Carter denied us this request. After several more phone calls and my insistence that Const. Dunlop was the only Cornwall Police officer my wife would talk to he still refused. However we were now given options, we could use the O.P.P or R.C.M.P. but not Dunlop, a Cornwall Police Officer.

Does this not seem a little odd to you. Well to me it stinks! Please do what is right. Allow us access to Police Officers we can trust. That will allow victims some degree of hope and comfort. Remember it was you who wanted to keep this within your department. I believe we have taken a huge leap of faith on your word.

Please do not succumb to the "Old Guard."  
Thank you

Sincerely Dave L

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