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From: James Smith [james.smith.2@bc.edu]
Sent: 09 August 2012 13:28
To: Claire McGettrick
Cc: Raymond Hill
Subject: Fwd: Galway-Dept of Agriculture Invoice, 1906

Hi Folks,

Copy of email I sent to Nuala with Dept of Agriculture invoice.

Jim

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From: James Smith <james.smith.2@bc.edu>
Date: July 30, 2012 3:54:16 AM EDT
To: "Nuala.NiMhuircheartaigh@dfa.ie" <Nuala.NiMhuircheartaigh@dfa.ie>
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Dear Nuala,

I head back to Boston tomorrow and just finishing up final matter before packing everything away.

Two quick things to ask you, if that is okay--

i) In reviewing my digital files over the weekend I came across material from the Department of Agriculture National Archive Files that I realize I never forwarded to you. It is early ... pre-1922. The files show an invoice to the Department of Agriculture Station at Athenry from the Sisters of Mercy Magdalene Laundry in Galway. Again, I realize this is pre-State formation, but it does indicate a pattern of State interaction in terms of using the Laundries on a commercial basis.

ii) I presume you may have seen the Irish Times article on Saturday. I attach a link below. I appreciate that you do not answer for the Department of Justice, but can I ask you to clarify, if you can, the spokesperson's statement indicating that the Committee's Report will first go to the Government for consideration? My understanding, both from the Interim Report and from our most recent meeting, was that the Report would be published. And, as an independent Committee investigating State interaction with the Laundries it does seem a tad peculiar that the government gets to consider the Report first? This again raises issues of transparency. It also goes to the matter we discussed last day in terms of reception of the Report. Again, if you can clarify this matter, it would be really helpful.

I know Claire has been in touch with you about the revised deadline for submitting JFM's final submission. Maeve and Raymond are doing amazing work on that and we all hope it will prove helpful to the Committee.

Best wishes,

Jim
<http://www.irishtimes.com/newspaper/ireland/2012/0728/1224320947414.html>
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AGRICULTURAL STATION,
ATHENRY.

Co. GALWAY, 27th 11th 1906

GRAM: FARM, ATHENRY

Mr. Walsh

I attach a scale of charges for
laundry work as submitted by the
Manager, Rosellen, Rosellen Laundry
kindly let me have your observations
thereon.

Yours truly,
W. J. M. J. M.

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MAGDALEN ASYLUM
GALWAY.

Nov. 22nd 86.

Dear Sir,

I now enclose the
scale of charges as
requested —

Yours faithfully
J. D. J. Jones.

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Magdalen Asylum.

Technical and Steam Laundry,

Galway, day of 190

Agricultural Station Dr.
Arthur

Shirts, Towels, Napkins, Pillows & Bolts
Cases, Drawers, Vests, Coats, Stockings,
Aprons, Collars, Cuffs, Gaiters, Chemises
1/- per doz.

Table Cloths, Side & Pocket, Fl. & Night
Shirts, Fl. Drawers & Fl. Vests 2 each.

Washes, Quarters, Glass Cloths 6 per doz.

Single Blankets 6 ea. Double do 12 ea.

Quilts 8. Corduroy Pants 6

Draw Shirts 4. Shirts 6. Blankets 3.

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