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Dear Ms. Maguire,

I refer to your letter dated 14 June, 2011 concerning South Dublin County Council's support for the Justice for Magdalene's campaign.

I wish to advise you that the Government decided on a number of actions following its meeting on 14th June which considered the circumstances of the women and girls who resided in the Magdalene Laundries. The Government believes it is essential to fully establish the true facts and circumstances relating to the Laundries as a first step. Along with the Minister of State for Disability, Equality, Mental Health and Older People, Kathleen Lynch TD, the Minister is now following up on this decision with the relevant parties.

I would like to thank you for your correspondence and assure you that points you raised have been taken into consideration.

Yours sincerely,

Damien Brennan

Private Secretary to the Minister for Justice and Equality