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Mrs Margaret Tomlinson Bereavement Administration Manager Belfast City Council City Hall Belfast BT1 5GS Northern Ireland

Dear Mrs Tomlinson

Belfast City Cemetery, Co. Antrim Commonwealth War Graves - Commission (Screen Wall)

As you may be aware, the Commission Screen Wall in the above named cemetery has been the constant subject of attack by vandals over the years. Following expensive repairs some years ago, the memorial was again attacked soon after and this damage has not been repaired.

The Commission has been considering various options concerning this memorial and I note several of these below: -

- 1) Repair the Screen Wall.
- 2) Design a new Screen Wall to replace the existing structure
- 3) Remove the Screen Wall and erect a new Screen Wall at a more suitable location down in the Service Plot area (Sections BS/CS/DS). The actual graves would remain in situ immediately forward of the existing Screen Wall which would be removed.



The Commission favours option 3 and would welcome your initial comments as to whether you feel the City Council would be agreeable to this proposal if it was formally put forward.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely

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