

45. It is also imperative that when cases do go to court that child migrants are treated with dignity and that they are not re-traumatised in cross-examination. In the 1994 class action against the Christian Brothers in Australia, a former child migrant was asked by the Christian Brothers' lawyer, whether he had not, in fact 'led the Brother on' in relation to sexual assaults. This former child migrant was ten years old at the time of the assault.
46. If schemes or settlements are to take place outside of the courtroom, these must be conducted independently. Most former child migrants who participated in the Christian Brothers review of past settlements following the 2014 Royal Commission public hearings in Australia, reported it was little more than aggressive negotiation over payment levels, and that despite reassurance that they would not have to face the Brothers, they were pressured to do so in every case reported to the CMT. As we understand it, no referrals were made to the police regarding historic criminal abuse. Most former child migrants said they went along with the process because there was no independent alternative and they remain desperate for resolution of justice and redress issues. I discuss below the consequences of this process as a form of secondary abuse of former child migrants.

**II (B). WHAT DOES DR HUMPHREYS CONSIDER IN PARTICULAR IS NEEDED TO ADDRESS THE ONGOING CONSEQUENCES OF SEXUAL ABUSE (AS OPPOSED TO MIGRATION ITSELF, AND OTHER MATTERS SUCH AS PHYSICAL ABUSE)?**

47. I acknowledge that the Inquiry's remit relates specifically to sexual abuse and I have, wherever possible in my evidence, attempted to draw out examples and contributions that are consistent with that focus. However, I am afraid that it is impossible to compartmentalise the needs generated by sexual abuse from those of all the other inescapable consequences of migration and the physical and emotional trauma that child migrants suffered.
48. My first statement set out the essential elements of the post-Apology strategy that I believe that the UK government must now implement if it is finally to do the right thing for child migrants. I continue to believe this strategy must include:
1. Justice and redress for all child migrants
    - i) A full Judicial Inquiry
    - ii) Financial redress as specified in the Association's statement
  2. Sustained and integrated professional and financial support for surviving child migrants and their families, coordinated at the heart of government
    - i) Ring-fenced, ongoing funding of the Family Restoration Fund and for the CMT's costs of supporting former child migrants
    - ii) Specialist, independent professional help for child migrants which is vital for those who suffered sexual and other types of abuse during their childhood years.
    - iii) Good practice standards
    - iv) A single point of access to historic records