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Mr. & Mrs. Carroll,

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Dear Mr. & Mrs. Carroll,

Further to my recent telephone conversation following the Panel Meeting, I am writing to confirm that this Agency has decided that your application should not be pursued on the following grounds:-

1. The Standards applied in employing staff in Residential Child Care, which should apply also to Family Placement, precludes registration in this case;
2. Concern that the issue of earlier conviction had not been shared prior to obtaining references;
3. The Local Authorities responsibilities in placing a child "in trust" in a family setting, precludes the nature of the risk in this case. The Panel were mindful of the fact that the offence occurred a very long time ago, nonetheless emphasis was placed on the fact that the conviction will never become "spent" as far as employment in Child Care is concerned under the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act.

You do have the right of appeal against the decision of the Agency, but your application has raised a further most important issue which I need to discuss with you. Would it be possible for me to call and talk to you about this, on Thursday 6th February at 6.30 p.m. Please let me know if this is not convenient.

Yours sincerely,

DPA

T. Palmer,
Senior Family Placement Officer.