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*Dear Ms Gray,*

**COMPLAINT - MILITARY MEDAL REVIEW**  
**EVALUATION BY THE PARLIAMENTARY OMBUDSMAN**

You may recall you received a copy of a report, dated 23 May 2017, in respect of an investigation into a complaint I had made to the Minister for the Cabinet Office. I found the investigation inadequate and the report derisory so was surprised it had been endorsed by the Cabinet Office.

I now attach a copy of a letter I have sent to Sir Jonathan Stephens for your information and any action you may deem necessary. I have also attached a copy to my correspondence with the Prime Minister and the Minister for the Cabinet Office.

You will note from the letter to Sir Jonathan that it would appear an inordinate amount of taxpayers' money has been spent, especially on legal representation, in a murky process, which has involved the loss of government documents; a failure to appropriately review military medal submissions; unsound advice presented to the Honours, Decorations and Medals Committee; an attempt to disguise the lack of thoroughness of discussions by the members of this committee; inaccurate and misleading statements to Members of Parliament; together with the likelihood that misinformation has been presented to Her Majesty the Queen.

*Yours sincerely*

*Terry Scriven*

(signed on original)