

MOUNT DARBY,
ROSLEA,
CO. FERMANAGH.

9th Aug. 1980.

Dear Annie Minister,

It is with strong memories of your sympathetic kindness to us, when we visited you in London, that we feel it necessary to write to you again.

After you had taken a personal interest in the terrible plight of ourselves and the even more terrifying position of the wives of members of the Security Forces who are still alive, we could see the beginnings of a real improvement in security precautions. We are saddened that these improvements did not continue and many border crossing places, including the main escape route for killers fleeing from the Newtownbutler area, are still open

and are not guarded on a full-time permanent basis. The most dangerous of these roads is the road from Newtownbutler to Lavan which should be permanently blocked at Castle Sanderson gates as it was for a number of years during our last troubles. We know that you have a lot of problems to deal with but we feel that your interest in us and the other women of this area is so genuine that we would implore you to interevene personally to see that security operations are no longer bluff, but REAL. We would stress that all border crossings which can be used by vehicles in the Newtownbutler and Roslea areas must be either closed permanently by blocking or mining or guarded and controlled permanently on a twenty-

for a hour a day basis until the
 terrorists are beaten and the
 murderous attacks on our husbands,
 carried out from the Irish
 Republic are over.

PLEASE Mrs Thatcher help us
 as loyal British citizens.

Yours Respectfully,

Harriett Howe

Sylvia Kennaghan.

Bonnie Latimer

Martha Morrow.