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Dear Mr Bevan

Thank you for your letters dated 14 and 22 October 2009 concerning your client The Free Serbian Orthodox Church St George Diocese for Australia and New Zealand (the Association), incorporated under the *Associations Incorporation Act 1991* (the Act).

As you are aware the Office of Regulatory Services (ORS) received a number of complaints alleging illegal activities by the committee of the Association. As a result I sought the production of your client's books under section 103 of the ACT. This information was received by the ORS and has been under review. However, in response to a request from your clients, which was reiterated in your letter of 22 October 2009, I have returned the 'Green Books' to your clients.

ORS investigation staff have assessed all the information provided, however, as the information is incomplete we have not been able to substantiate the allegations of fraud or dishonesty in the management of the Association.

I sought further information from the complainants asking them to provide any evidence which may support their allegations of illegal activity. No information has been received.

Accordingly I have decided that no further action will be taken in respect of this matter. I have advised the complainants that we will be unable take any further action due to the current limitations of the evidence.

However, should I receive further complaints concerning similar allegations, I will consider re-opening this investigation.

Thank you for your assistance and the cooperation of your client. I will ensure that the remaining books held by the ORS are returned as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely

Danielle Krajina

Registrar General

Office of Regulatory Services

25 November 2009

