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Dear Justice Ross,

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At the mention in this matter on Wednesday 5 December you asked us to give consideration to having two of the three outstanding claims we made in respect of the Educational Services (Teachers) Award heard in conjunction with claims relating to the Children's Services Award. We are prepared to agree to that course.

In programming this matter we ask that you give further consideration to the timetable proposed by the other parties. Specifically we request that you consider setting back the timetable by 1 week with respect to paragraph 1 of the Draft Direction in order that there is sufficient time for us to prepare and lodge witness statements (i.e. change the date in paragraph 1 from 4:00pm on Monday 25 February 2019 to 4:00pm on Monday 4 March 2019). As you are aware our industry is subject to an annual close-down over the school holidays. Members who have agreed to give evidence in support of the union's claims either have or shortly will commence their leave and will not return to work until after 29 January.

Yours sincerely,

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