9 Hooper Road Wonga Park 3115 Victoria. October 10, 2000

Dear Dr Nelson,

Please find enclosed a copy of an article of mine published in the University of Newcastle "Boys in Schools" Bulletin Vol. 3 No.2 2000. In addition I have enclosed a copy of a newspaper article by Caroline Jones of the Melbourne Age published Monday September 11 2000. I hope they will be of JU interest to you and to members of the House of Representatives Standing Committee who, I understand is conducting the current National Inquiry into Boys Education.

I am a secondary teacher with over twenty-five years teaching and administrative experience. For the past six years I have been directly responsible for the welfare and well being of all boys and girls in my college. Years of testing, data collection and analysis, together with my own experiences at a classroom and administrative level have reinforced my conviction of the differing educational needs of boys and girls.

As discussed in the articles, we are concluding a two year study at our college of separating boys from girls in english classes. The results of evaluation to date have been most encouraging and the study has raised considerable interest throughout Australia.

I would be very interested and pleased to make a contribution to the Inquiry into Boys Education.

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Yours faithfully,

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