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W. Bro. Norman Ramsay,



Dear W. Bro Ramsay,

Further to your letter to the Deputy Grand Master of 8th May 2009, I write to inform you that a sub-committee of the Grand Lodge Board of General Purposes sat in November 2009 on various dates and deliberated concerning complaints of unmasonic conduct in the Province of Antrim.

The issue of the meeting of the Provincial Grand Lodge of Antrim Board of General Purposes on 18th March 2009 was one of the issues dealt with by the sub-committee.

I can advise you that following the report of the sub-committee the Grand Lodge at its meeting on 28th December 2009 found that charges of unmasonic conduct against three Antrim provincial officers was proved and these three officers, Brothers Jack Dunlop, John Dickson and John S. Dunlop were reprimanded by Grand Lodge.

It was held that these Brethren as Officers of the Provincial Grand Lodge of Antrim organised and held a meeting of the Provincial Grand Lodge of Antrim Board of General Purposes on 18th March 2009 that was inappropriate and contrary to Masonic Laws and Constitutions. It is to be noted that the same Provincial Officers declared the said meeting null and void before the end of the month of March 2009 and accepted that the entire proceedings of the meeting as conducted was inappropriate and should not have taken place.

Grand Lodge is now satisfied that this investigation has been concluded and that there will be no repetition of such conduct in the future.

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Yours sincerely and fraternally,

Barry Lyons Grand Secretary

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