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Dear Tony

Thank you very much for letter of 22 September and your kind invitation to attend the dinner on 30 November 2006 to initiate preparations for the World Firefighter Games. Unfortunately due to a prior engagement I will be unable to attend on this occasion.

Please allow me to take this opportunity to wish you every success with the event. I look forward to seeing you on 15 November at the Community Safety Awards Dinner in Liverpool.

Sincerely

Angela

ANGELA SMITH MP



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2008 WORLD FIREFIGHTER GAMES DINNER, 30 NOVEMBER

Thank you for your letter dated 3 October inviting me to attend the 2008 World Firefighter Games dinner. I know that 2008 will be an exciting time for Merseyside Fire & Rescue Service.

Unfortunately I have to decline such a prestigious event due to a Ministerial event taking place in Dorset Fire & Rescue Service with the Young Firefighters Association.

I am sure this will be an enjoyable evening and I wish you all the best for a successful event; I look forward to hearing all about it!

SIR GRAHAM MELDRUM
HM Chief Inspector of Fire Services





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24 November 2006

Dear Mr McGuirk

DINNER – 30 NOVEMBER 2006

Further to my letter dated 9 November 2006 I wish to advise you that Mr Ord will be unable to attend the dinner at the Maritime Museum on 30 November 2006. Not only were diary commitments proving difficult, Mr Ord has sustained a very bad ankle injury which is severely affecting his mobility.

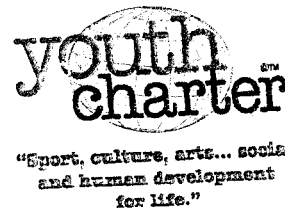
Mr Ord sends his apologies but hopes that everyone enjoys the evening.

Yours sincerely

Dorothy Edwardson
PA/Jeff Ord

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17th October 2006

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Dear Tony,

RE: **Maritime Museum, Liverpool, 30th November 2006**

Thank you for your letter and kind invitation to the above event on 30th November.

I am afraid that I will be out of the country on this date and therefore unable to attend.

However, may I take this opportunity to wish you every success with the event and please keep me informed of any future dates of this kind.

Whilst writing, I would welcome the opportunity of meeting with you before the end of the year to discuss and agree some firm proposals resulting from our meeting before the summer break. I have since had a number of meetings in Merseyside and the North West and I believe a positive way forward can now be identified.

To this end, I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely,

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Dear Tony

DINNER – 30 NOVEMBER 2006

Thank you for your letter dated 18 October 2006, and your very kind invitation to the above. Unfortunately, due to a long standing diary commitment, I am unable to attend.

Yours sincerely

JOHN D BURNSIDE

pp Chief Executive



Tyne and Wear Fire and Rescue Service

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Date: 18 January 2007

Dear

WORLD FIREFIGHTER GAMES LAUNCH 30 NOVEMBER 2006

Please accept my thanks for the invitation to the launch of the World Firefighter Games. The evening was most enjoyable and a great way to launch the Games.

The organisation of the evening was superb and showed all those involved in an excellent light. You have set a very high standard in terms of the professional portrayal of both the Firefighter Games and Merseyside; I am convinced along with all those who attended, that the games will be a huge success.

Once again thank you for the invitation and if I can do anything to support the Games please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

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Date 17 January 2007

Dear

WORLD FIRE-FIGHTER GAMES 2008 LAUNCH

I just wanted to congratulate Merseyside Fire & Rescue Service and the sponsors O2 Airwave on the excellent launch event held in November. It really set the scene so well, emphasising quality, commitment, partnership, teamwork and promising some really exciting opportunities for all.

Since then I have invited Dave Robinson to brief Management Team colleagues who are fully supportive of the event, and Barry has asked me now to prepare a report to the Fire Authority seeking both material and, subject to approval, some financial and personnel support.

I have identified an officer who is keen to work with Merseyside on taking the Games forward and in particular, a Manchester contribution. As we discussed, the potential for a cricket tournament at Old Trafford will be explored and the possibility of 'Kabads' which could really engage some of our more diverse communities in the event.

As I mentioned, I think it would also be a good idea to engage our politicians regionally through the NWFRMB and you no doubt will give some thought as to how we best secure regional 'buy in' to what promises to be an excellent event.



Thank you again for a super launch event and I look forward to working with you in the run up to WFG 2008.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Tony". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal stroke at the beginning.

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16th January 2007

Dear Tony

WFFG Launch Evening

Please forgive me writing to you so late after the event, I really thought that the night went tremendously well and was obviously very well put together.

I spoke to a great deal of interesting people during the course of the evening, all who seemed very enthusiastic and supportive of Merseyside being the Host of the 2008 World Fire-fighter Games. This is a great achievement for the UK Fire Service and for Liverpool.

As the official charity for the UK Fire Service and having worked with Merseyside Fire and Rescue Service for many years, I have every confidence that the event will be an extremely successful one.

If I can be of assistance in any way please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

Roy Lawrenson
Chief Executive



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12th January 2007

Dear Tony,

Firstly may I wish you and all at MFRS a very Happy New Year and secondly, may I apologize for the delay in writing to you, the run up to Christmas having been manic to say the least.

I am writing to thank you not only for another splendid Community Fire Safety Awards evening, but also for a great evening at the launch of the World Firefighter Games 2008.

The launch evening was particularly impressive for the number and calibre of the attendees from throughout the UK fire and rescue services. Being in the audience, it was easy to gauge the breadth and depth of genuine support for the Firefighter Games and the whole evening ran with the professional smoothness that I have come to expect from Merseyside. Thanks must go to Sandra and all the others involved in the planning.

I am convinced that this professionalism and support will contribute to a fantastic event in 2008 and I am working on my new colleagues across The Pond, to try to increase our level of support. Whatever their response, there will be support from BRK-Dicon in the UK.

I wish you every success in the ongoing process and I hope to see you again very soon.

Kind regards,

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WORLD FIREFIGHTER GAMES EVENT

Once again I have the pleasure of extending our warm thanks for the excellent evening at the Dinner held on 30th November 2006.

Thank you very much for inviting me to the launch. My enjoyment of the proceedings was greatly enhanced by the established relationship between our organisations. The World Firefighter Games is an extremely prestigious event and you can certainly count on my whole-hearted support.

Please pass on my thanks to the girls, in particular Sandra, who did a fantastic job in putting the event together.

I look forward to seeing you soon.

Kind regards.

Yours sincerely

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12 December 2006

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Dear Tony

Following my enjoyable visit to your World Firefighters Games Launch last week I would be delighted to host a representative of your World Firefighters Games Team to discuss our involvement in this event, and will be pleased to arrange a mutually suitable date with you.

I have noted the 29 November 2007 as a review date for progress of the 2008 Games.

Yours sincerely

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Dear *Tony*

Re: World Firefighter Games Launch

I refer to your letter of the 5th December 2006, following the World Firefighter Games Launch event.

Firstly, can I say what a pleasure it was to attend on behalf of David. I very much enjoyed the event and, on that basis, would like to place on record my thanks for the warm hospitality extended by yourself, colleagues from Merseyside Fire and Rescue Service, and also, of course, the sponsors.

Clearly, aside the social dimension, there was a serious aspect to the evening as it marked the fact that, firstly, Liverpool had secured the honour of hosting the Games in 2008; and, secondly sought to emphasise the importance of energising our professional 'community' behind your stated intention to make the Games a showcase for the British Fire and Rescue Service.

In your letter you seek agreement for a member of your WFG team to visit Essex, in order to discuss ways in which my Service can become involved in the Games. I shall be delighted to accommodate this visit and would request that arrangements for it be made through my PA, Nona Wilson.

In closing, can I assure you of my continued support in delivering what, I have no doubt, will be an excellent WFG – both in my capacity as a Principal Officer and a member of the FSSAA National Executive.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'ACO Fry', written over a circular stamp or seal.

ACO Fry
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Cc; CFO David Johnson



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3 December 2006

Dear Tony,

Very many thanks for a really wonderful dinner on Thursday night last week, everyone was clearly having a really good time and I hope that this will give the funding arrangements for the games a really good starting point.

I have rung Bob Evans and asked him to give you a call regarding the seminar plans you have for "Bain – Five years on" so he should be ringing you shortly.

Please can you pass on my thanks to the wonderful Sandra as well, whose organising skills are fantastic and a credit to Merseyside Fire!

Have a very good Christmas,

Sincerely,
Rupert Cazalet.

Rupert Cazalet

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Dear Tony

WORLD FIREFIGHTER GAMES LAUNCH – 30 NOVEMBER 2006

Sorry it has taken so long for me to write to you to say how much I enjoyed the evening on 30 November 2006. The staff obviously worked very hard to make it a success and I am delighted that the World Firefighter Games is being held in Liverpool.

I look forward to attending future events in the run up to the Games and if there is anything that Strathclyde Fire & Rescue can assist with, please do not hesitate to ask.

Yours sincerely

Eileen Baird
EILEEN BAIRD
DEPUTY CHIEF OFFICER

Jo Sanchez,

You were so nice,
so very thoughtful too.
So thank you,
thanks again.
How wonderful of you!

Thank you so lovely
& having well done!
Regards, Betty