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Mr John McDonnell MP
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Dear Mr McDonnell

You may remember receiving a letter in November from Mr A Donovan (Don Marketing UK, Bury St. Edmunds) in which he described the "unethical trading policies" of Shell UK. Also in that letter, Mr Donovan summarised the trauma that I have undergone at the hands of Shell.

I am enclosing a copy of a letter that I sent to Mr Mark Moody-Stuart on 12th August 1998 which detailed my circumstances up to that time and in more than one instance, outlines clear evidence where Shell deliberately lied, e.g. by advising the DHSS that I had left the employment of my own accord!

I took out a bank loan to repay the money lost in the Roehampton garage, over half of which was repaid, but I still have an outstanding amount to repay to them also.

Fortunately, with sheer determination to find work, I was able to secure employment within a matter of months and am employed at H.M.P. Wormwood Scrubs.

I wrote to all the Shell suppliers to whom money was owed (for the last month's trading at Syon Hill) and advised them of my predicament and that I intended to repay the debts on a monthly basis. Unfortunately one of the suppliers has passed the matter on to their solicitors who have hounded me at home for payment and are now taking me to court at the end of this month. I have always advised the suppliers of the action that I was taking and have paid off varying amounts to each one every month, so much so that I am living on a very small monthly amount myself in order to clear the debts.

Now, with this court case hanging over me which is a horrifying thought, I am turning to you as a last resort to seek some sort of assistance or reassurance. I hasten to add that I did attend the C.A.B. on 3 occasions only to be told that I was doing "everything right and to continue with the steps that I was taking"! Both my health and my marriage are now suffering considerably and I have attended a further hospital appointment this week as a result of a couple of bad spells that I had last week (of which doctors evidence would confirm).

I feel that I have been treated totally unfair by a large multi-national company that has the power and the finance to push me aside. Management that can falsify the truth without a moment's hesitation and, in fear of their jobs, prevaricate my story without anyone being able to hear my report which happens to be the truth, and I now find myself in a desperate position through no fault of my own but through Shell's ruthlessness and cheating practices.

I reiterate Mr Donovan's closing remark in his letter "Shell's bad reputation stems solely from the actions of its senior management"

Yours sincerely

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