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> By E-Mail direct and First Class post to Buckingham Palace. Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> September 2006.

Your Majesty,

<u>Privy Counsel Royal Charters—Are you—our Queen being advised to take part in a parody on democracy?</u>

In reply to your letter of 7<sup>th</sup> September responding to my letter of 22<sup>nd</sup> August regarding the above, I would thank you for your helpful response. I am pleased to note that you have seen fit to copy the terms of my letter to the Scottish Executive so that my approach to you may be known and due consideration given to the points I raised with you.

I feel that I should also make you aware that since I last wrote to you the Trustees have been under some pressure from members of the public to give details of the proposed terms of the Supplemental Charter and in a bid to placate the public the Carnegie Dunfermline Trust have allowed limited access to view a draft of the petition to the Privy Counsel for a Supplemental Charter at the Trust's HQ.

I availed myself of the opportunity to view the draft last Thursday and to put it mildly I was staggered by what I saw. The Glen appears to have been divided into two parts—the core or Inner Glen which cannot be sold or altered easily—and the perimeter or Outer Glen which can be leased for commercial development as the Trustees see fit.

There are other, disturbing aspects of the terms of the Supplemental Charter such as the sweeping powers given to the Trustees, but the mere fact that the Outer Glen can be used for anything other than Andrew Carnegie's express wishes (recreation purposes to bring sweetness and light to the toiling masses) will cause much controversy when it is known—especially as it has been stated categorically by the Chairman and Chief Executive of the Trust that the Supplemental Charter would not facilitate development!

The changes sought to the terms of the Original Charter by the Supplemental Charter would also appear to place the Trustees in breach of Section 66 (1) (a) of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 and I am currently in contact with the Office

of the Scottish Charity Regulator who is to consider a complaint made by me. If my complaint against the Trustees of The Carnegie Dunfermline Trust is upheld it might be suggested that the Privy Counsel Office has assisted them in breaching charitable statute.

In the event that The Scottish Executive affixes the Scottish Seal to the Supplemental Charter then of course I will have the right to seek redress through the Scottish Courts all the way up to Nobile Officium. I can also petition The Scottish Parliament, and if necessary the European Court of Human Rights. I would have no hesitation in carrying out any of these remedial actions if necessary—hopefully common sense will prevail and it will not be necessary for me to go to these lengths to remedy such an obvious inequity.

In conclusion I would again thank you and hope that the Scottish Executive will decline sealing the Supplemental Charter—the terms of which the petitioners have deliberately kept from the public while their petition was being considered by the Privy Counsel Office—which also appears to have been misled.

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Yours faithfully,

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