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29th June, 1970.

Mr. H. Biggs,
Treasurer,
Royal Historical Society Victoria,
(Bendigo Branch)
121 King Street,
BENDIGO, Vic. 3550.

Dear Mr. Biggs,

I am in receipt of your letter of the 19th June, 1970, concerning the action proposed to be taken by the Public Works Department in erecting a fence around the Old Police Barracks Building, Bendigo.

The Department is aware of the need for you to have some "breathing space" whilst you consider what type of proposal can be put forward to the Government concerning the restoration and usage of the building. We would hope that this proposal might be forthcoming within a reasonable time as the Department cannot accept any further responsibility for vandalism which might occur, other than to discourage such actions by the erection of a fence.

I am unable to undertake the security of the building itself by the provision of wooden barriers or wire mesh over windows and doors, but would raise no objections to your Society making such provisions.

Yours faithfully,

(G. SERPELL)
Director-General.