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Dear colleague,

I am writing to ask for your support in raising awareness of the <u>Truth Project</u>. The Truth Project is part of the <u>Independent Inquiry into Child Sexual Abuse</u>. It was set up for victims and survivors of child sexual abuse to share their experiences in a confidential and supportive environment.

Over the past year, we have been raising awareness of the opportunity for victims and survivors of child sexual abuse to speak to the Truth Project across England and Wales. You may have recently heard the 'I will be heard' campaign on local or national radio. So far, nearly 2,000 victims and survivors have shared their experience with us, either through a private face-to-face session, by telephone or in writing.

We have ambitious plans to reach an even wider audience to publicise the opportunity to be heard through the Truth Project and will incorporate television advertising for the first time from the week commencing 14 January 2019. We are keen to work with stakeholders in England and Wales to ensure that we reach as wide an audience as possible, and many organisations have pledged their support for the campaign in January or are already actively supporting the campaign. There are several ways in which you can actively support the 'I will be heard' campaign, including sharing social media messaging and electronic information, displaying posters or silent screens, or inviting us to share information at events or meetings you may be holding. Our <u>Stakeholder Engagement Toolkit</u>, including more information and a wide range of materials and resources to enable active support of the campaign, can be found at https://www.iicsa.org.uk/victims-and-survivors/stakeholder-engagement-toolkit.

We would welcome the opportunity to discuss the Truth Project, the 'I will be heard' campaign and the upcoming TV campaign with you in more detail, if that would be helpful. To find out more or to discuss further, please contact us at: engagement@iicsa.org.uk.

We hope that you will work with us to support the 'I will be heard' campaign. Thank you for working with us to promote and raise awareness of the Truth Project and this opportunity for victims and survivors of child sexual abuse.

Yours sincerely,

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