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Dear Richard,

Settlement of Ministry's Earthquake Damage Insurance Claim

I am writing to convey my appreciation of your guiding role in the management of our claim settlement process.

Your dedication and commitment in managing the claim was invaluable. The range and nature of issues that arose were possibly some of the most complex that I have come across in recent times. Your progressive tackling of these issues was instrumental in preparation for resolution of the claim.

I am especially grateful for your behind-the-scenes work in communicating with the insurer's legal team and laying the foundations for an early settlement to occur. Please also convey my thanks to your team members Rachel and Duncan who provided invaluable support.

Thanks again for your efforts; it has been a pleasure working with you.

Yours sincerely,



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