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Dear Mr Regan

## War Grave at New Aberdour Old Churchyard CEM 103

Following recent investigations carried out by researchers and information received from your colleagues in the registrar office in Fraserburgh the grave of the following war casualty has been identified as being buried in New Aberdour Old Churchyard. I was able to locate this grave which is currently unmarked on a recent visit to the cemetery from the information I was sent.

## Engineman A P Gibson 13/11/1916 Royal Naval Reserve Lair 529

I would like to suggest the following we the Commonwealth War Graves Commission erect a standard commission headstones on the grave of which I will enclose details.

We will try and contact next of Kin prior to placing the memorial if you can give us any recent details of a lair holder we will contact them we will also appeal for any relatives to contact us through our website.

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The marker would be made of Granite stone and erection work will be carried out on the understanding that if relatives ever objected the marker would be removed entirely at our expense.

I would be grateful if you could confirm that you have no objection to this proposal and if you would in this instance waive the normal headstone erection fees. The Commonwealth War Graves Commission will bear the costs of producing the memorial and our trained staff will erect it.

In addition we have introduced a new form which will enable us to speed up the process that enables us to mark the grave with the proposed markers. I have therefore enclosed a new form which we need signed before I can order the memorials. This will remove the requirement for a further colleague to contact you which happened before I would be grateful if this can be signed and returned back to me by post or e mail.

We would in this case also contact you prior to placing the memorials to confirm the correct position of the graves as it may take some considerable time to receive these memorials. I will attach a photograph and details of the grave and a plan of the proposed marker I would be grateful if you can confirm my request when convenient.



Post marks the grave of Pratt identified from information and plan received.

Yours sincerely

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