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Dear *Trevor*

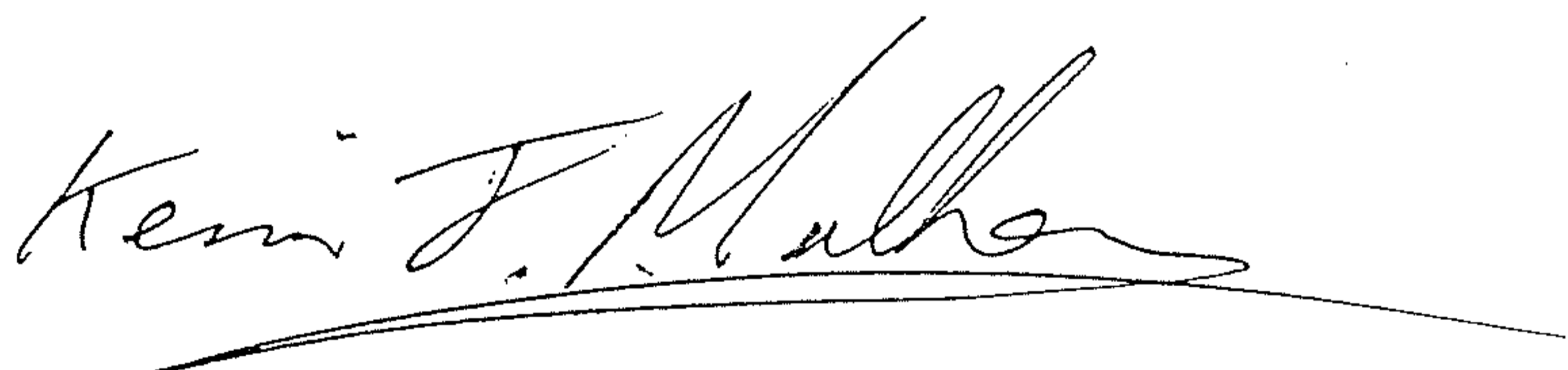
Following our earlier telephone conversation today I would like to follow up my apology in writing.

What I said to you on Friday night was wholly inappropriate and wrong and should never have been said. I sincerely apologise for the offence caused and also apologise for my aggressive manner. I assure you that this will never happen again.

In relation to the business of "the long grass" I genuinely have no recollection of saying that to anyone. If however that is what has been reported to you I can only say that it should never have been said and does not represent my view nor that of the Department.

I would also like to state that I am not calling into question your integrity or that of anyone at UTV. I hope that this is not allowed to affect the professional working relationship that the DHSSPS and I have with you and UTV and that you accept my apology.

Best Wishes



Kevin Mulhern