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Dr McMillin
220 Knock Road
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Dear Dr McMillin

RE: Claire Roberts [REDACTED]

I saw Claire on 4 February 1988. She has had no fits since September. She is on Epilim 2.75mls bd.

Physically she is thriving and indeed her tone was normal, her reflexes were brisk and equal. Physical examination revealed no abnormalities apart from the fact that she was not strange, which I felt she should have been at this age, with me. She is also attending Children's Hospital because there had been some doubt about her hearing, which has improved, although still not supposedly normal. She does suffer from catarrh. Mum in fact thinks she is very well.

Her speech is undoubtedly slow, she whispers 'ba ba', but makes no real 'ba ba' sounds or indeed any others. She knows her hair and her toes but not other parts of her body. She waves good bye and claps hands. She tends to grind her teeth, she sits well and she gets into the crawling position but doesn't really move forwards, but may go backwards. She has good pincer grip, she is not really standing with support. I felt there was definitely some concern about her developmental delay and have arranged to review her in another 2 months time. I told mum that she certainly had made progress, but there were still some areas which gave cause for concern.

Yours sincerely

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