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**To:** Philip Nugent - (DECLG)

Hi Philip,

Thank you for facilitating me to attend the event yesterday.

It was well worth attending, you have achieved a lot so far this year, well done to you and your crew. It is encouraging to see a good turnout to the event and particularly in regard to the Minister who stayed for three hours.

Our Minister Michael Ring launched our 10 year Drowning Prevention Strategy a few months ago. I feel that it should get some form of mention in any MSP. We are trying to improve the safety culture in Ireland at sea and through the MSP is an ideal document to reinforce both water and marine safety. Our Government has spent millions through all its Departments and many agencies to help reduce drowning so it is essential that it is integrated in to the MSP at all stages.

It is available at  
<http://www.iws.ie/fileupload/about/Publications/National%20Drowning%20Prevention%20Strategy/IWS%20National%20Drowning%20Prevention%20Strategy%202018-2027.pdf>

I hope that you and the Minister were happy with the day, did anything different come out of the event in comparison to the other meetings.

Regards

John

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**"Together let's bring drownings down"**

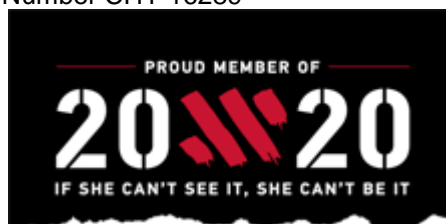
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