



CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE OF SYDNEY
Level 16, Polding Centre, 133 Liverpool Street, Sydney NSW 2000

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MEDIA STATEMENT FROM THE ARCHDIOCESE OF SYDNEY

The former Armidale priest who was the subject of 4 Corners on Monday night was removed from public ministry twenty years ago in 1992

by his then-bishop and laicised in 2005. The Archdiocese of Sydney is seeking further information about the 1992 meeting which involved two

Sydney priests who attended as members of a national panel.

Allegations against Salesian priests were also raised by 4 Corners. However, neither the Archdiocese of Sydney nor Cardinal Pell has authority over

any priest of another Catholic diocese or a member of a religious order. As Cardinal Pell said in the program, if there is credible evidence against a

Church figure who is overseas he "should return to face the music".

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