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From: Mary Ann Jolley [Jolley.Mary.Ann@REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, 29 June 2012 12:13 PM
To: John Usher
Subject: RE: 4 Corners, ABC

Dear Mgr Usher
 Thank you for your responses to our questions.
 Kind regards
 Mary Ann

From: John Usher [mailto:jusher@REDACTED]
Sent: Friday, 29 June 2012 12:06 PM
To: Mary Ann Jolley
Subject: RE: 4 Corners, ABC

Dear Mary Ann

I apologise for the delay in responding to your email. I have been absent from this office until this morning.

I was present with Frs Lucas and Peters at the meeting with John Farrell in 1992, that you referred to.

I have, on behalf of the Archdiocese of Sydney, had a policy of reporting any disclosures of criminal conduct to the New South Wales Police and, when required, to the Department of Community Services. This was a practice prior to the 1990's.

I can state that Farrell made no personal disclosures of criminal behaviour during the meeting in September 1992. There was, therefore, nothing that could be reported to the NSW Police and hence no report was made by us.

I hope this is helpful.

Yours sincerely

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Sent: Thursday, 28 June 2012 3:43 PM
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Cc: Geoff Thompson
Subject: 4 Corners, ABC

Dear Fr Usher,

I'm a producer with the ABC's Four Corners program and am currently working on a story about the Catholic Church and how it deals with allegations of sexual abuse. The story will be broadcast this coming Monday night.

We are aware of a meeting you attended in Sydney on September 3, 1992 at which you were involved in interviewing John Farrell.

We have asked Cardinal George Pell about this meeting and he has told us no admissions were made by John Farrell during this meeting. We understand via the Cardinal that this concurs with your recollection.

There are just a couple points we want to clarify with you directly:

During the September 3, 1992 meeting did John Farrell say anything that you felt should be reported to the police? Did you report anything he said to the police?

Kind regards,

Mary Ann

Mary Ann Jolley

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