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Dr Mahendra Perera
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Dear Dr Perera

Re: AFA [redacted]

I am the Independent Commissioner appointed by the Archdiocese of Melbourne to enquire into allegations of sexual abuse by priests, religious and lay persons within the Archdiocese of Melbourne.

In that capacity, I am satisfied that Mr AFA [redacted] of REDACTED [redacted] (whom I understand is your patient) was a victim of sexual abuse in 1977-78 by Michael Glennon then an Assistant Priest at St Gabriel's Parish Reservoir.

Consequently I can refer Mr AFA [redacted] to a Compensation Panel which has jurisdiction to make binding recommendations to the Archbishop to make offers of compensation up to a limit of \$75,000.

I believe that the Compensation Panel would be much assisted by your opinion as to the impact which the sexual abuse suffered by Mr AFA [redacted] has had upon him.

Accordingly, I enclose herewith an authority from him for you to provide me with a report, which I will then refer to the Compensation Panel.

Your fees for the report will be met by Carelink Counselling Services of 25 Lansdowne Street, East Melbourne and if you forward me an invoice made out to Carelink I undertake to have that promptly paid.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely


Peter J O'Callaghan
Independent Commissioner

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