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**From:** Jeffery Gleeson  
**Sent:** Thursday, 23 May 2013 11:58 AM  
**To:** 'paul.binyon@police.vic.gov.au'  
**Subject:** FW: Melbourne Catholic Archdiocese - the Melbourne Response

Dear Paul,

I refer to my email below which I sent you on 18 October 2012. I did not receive a reply to the email but I have re-checked your email address on the card you gave me when we met on 12 September 2012 and have confirmed it is correct.

I write to advise that I have now concluded my investigation into the allegations against Fr [REDACTED] and I have determined that he sexually abused a person aged approximately 13 or 14 years of age in [REDACTED]

On my recommendation the Archbishop has removed Fr [REDACTED] from further public ministry as a priest within the Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne.

The victim has repeatedly been encouraged to report the matter to the police and has repeatedly stated that he does not wish to do so. I confirm that the victim has signed a document confirming that he has been encouraged to report the matter to police and that he does not wish to do so. I confirm that I am bound by an undertaking of confidentiality in relation to the identity of the victim and will respect the wishes of the victim.

Please let me know if I can be of any further assistance.

Finally, Peter O'Callaghan and I would welcome the opportunity to meet with you again to discuss matters generally. I think it is important that we keep the lines of communication open. Please let me know if you would like to meet and we can then arrange a time.

Kind regards

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**From:** Jeffery Gleeson  
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**To:** 'paul.binyon@police.vic.gov.au'  
**Subject:** Melbourne Catholic Archdiocese - the Melbourne Response

Dear Paul,

You will no doubt have seen the article on the front page of today's Age in relation to Fr. [REDACTED]

As noted in the article, the alleged victim has signed a document confirming that he has been encouraged to report the matter to police and that he does not wish to do so. The terms of that document are consistent with the terms of the document set out in the document headed "Sexual and Other Abuse – The Melbourne Response" that I gave you at our recent meeting. There is also a copy on the Melbourne Catholic Archdiocese website.

I will, of course, let you know if the alleged victim changes his mind and indicates that he wishes to report the matter to the police. He will continue to be encouraged to do so. I would appreciate it if you would let me know if there are any developments at your end.

Kind regards

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