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Most Rev P Ingham DD  
Bishop of Wollongong  
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Wollongong NSW 2500

Dear Bishop Ingham,

I refer to your agreement to allow me access to my file at the Diocesan Chancery. You will be aware that I inspected the file on July 26th and that subsequently, I received an edited version of the report by Ms Hannan and Mr Murray to Bishop Wilson of 16th May 1998. I had requested this report, in writing, on several occasions starting in 1998.

I now request copies of certain material attached to that report, without which the report is incomplete. The documents requested are referred to, in the noted pages of the report:

1. Page two: "Bishop Wilson provided a considerable quantity of material largely covering the events surrounding the appeal against his conviction lodged by Fr Nestor, media reports and comments, and correspondence with [name deleted]..."
2. Page two: "...and records of some complaints made to Bishop Wilson concerning alleged conduct by Fr Nestor."
3. Page two: The record of complaint by Ms ABE made to Centrecare in July 1997. Although it might be argued that communications with Centrecare are confidential, in this case, the information was relayed to two external individuals- Ms Hannan and Mr Murray- so there can be no argument of continuing confidentiality.
4. Page three: The record of discussion between Mrs ABG and Centrecare. Again, any claim of confidentiality is negated by the release by Centrecare of this information to Ms Hannan and Mr Murray.
5. Page three: The letter referred to in the written note: "See Letter of H Murray 10.06.1988" [sic?]
6. Page four: The assessment carried out by Hugh Hynd, a matter about which I have never been previously informed.
7. Page nine: The letter mentioned in the marginal handwritten note.
8. The appendices attached to the report by Ms Hannan and Mr Murray.

I would advise you to seek *competent* legal counsel before replying to this letter.

I commend you for partly drawing aside the veil of secrecy surrounding this matter and I trust that my receipt of the information I have requested, will lead us to a resolution of the unfortunate matters of the last ten years- at least in so far as the diocese and its representatives are concerned.

I have received a copy of the decision of the Apostolic Signaturae, from the Chancellor, Sr Moya; however it seems to be written in Italian. I do not read Italian and so cannot be canonically said to have been supplied a copy. A certified copy in English, the language of Australia, would be appreciated.

With best wishes and continuing prayers,



Fr J G Nestor