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Dear John

Thank you for your email (6 July) following our meeting on 5 July 2006. It was good to finally meet and be able to have a conversation face-to-face. Thank you for your gracious and amicable manner. I am pleased to know that you are settled and comfortable in your new accommodation and that you have what you need.

As we discussed at our meeting, you understand that I am not able to give you an appointment, as I am awaiting the definitive response from the Apostolic Signatura. I have been advised that this could be as late as September or October.

I understand that under *Sacramentorum sanctitatis tutela*, promulgated by Pope John Paul II in 2001, I am required to submit your situation to the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith and to follow its advice relating to any further steps that may be necessary to resolve it:

*Reservation to the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith is also extended to a delict against the sixth commandment of the Decalogue committed by a cleric with a minor below the age of eighteen years.*

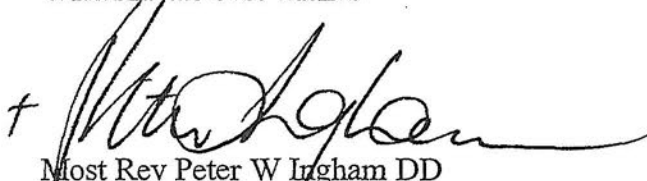
(Art 4 §1)

I further understand that this may be commenced while awaiting the definitive response from the Apostolic Signatura.

During our conversation you made it clear that, despite the difficulties you have encountered, you have never thought about seeking laicisation and you do not wish to.

As Fr Peter Comensoli is my delegate with the NSW Ombudsman's Office, I have asked him to pursue the matters we discussed at our meeting and the further questions you raise in your email with the Office. Fr Peter will then be in touch with you personally.

With sincere best wishes

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 Most Rev Peter W Ingham DD  
 BISHOP OF WOLLONGONG