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His Excellency  
 SER Mons Agostino Vallini  
 Prefect  
 Supreme Tribunal of the Apostolic Signatura  
 Piazza della Cancelleria 1  
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Your Excellency

Prot. N. 32108/01 CA (VOLLONGONGEN)

On 11 April 2003 and again on 3 October 2003, I wrote to the Apostolic Signatura concerning the status of our case before the Tribunal. More than 19 months have elapsed since that time.

It is my understanding that our Procurator-Advocate, Martha Wegan, submitted her *Memoriale* on 28 May 2004, thereby bringing to conclusion the presentation of our defence. Since then, she has awaited the bringing forward of the case before the *Plenaria* of the Tribunal.

I have received no communication from the Apostolic Signatura that might assist me in understanding the reasons why there has been such a lengthy delay and this is having an adverse impact on our diocese and the priest involved.

The right of Fr Nestor to a timely resolution of the case is, I believe, a matter of procedural justice. Therefore, may I ask that this case be judged as soon as conveniently possible.

With respectful good wishes

Yours sincerely

Most Rev Peter W Ingham DD  
 BISHOP OF WOLLONGONG