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Very Reverend Bryan Jones  
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Dear Father Jones:

My thanks for your confidential letter to me of 21 June 2001 together with the enclosure. I am very happy to learn that you and others involved in the process have taken thorough and broad consultation in this matter.

I am not at all surprised that those with whom you have spoken do not wish to do anything to compromise or undermine the program established by the Bishops in Australia, *Towards Healing*. That certainly makes a great deal of sense. It is with that thought in mind that I inquired as to whether any kind of evaluation here in the United States would address the concerns articulated in the principles in that document. We would not, of course, want to do anything which might be adverse to the work and to the pastoral intentions of the bishops.

We understand that procedures involving the Dicasteries of the Roma Curia can sometimes be time consuming. Should the matter become clarified or further information develop, I would be happy to receive whatever communication you judge best.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Sincerely in the Lord,

Most Reverend John J. Myers  
 BISHOP OF PEORIA