

**Fr Peter Comensoli**

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**From:** Fr Peter Comensoli  
**Sent:** Thursday, 30 March 2006 3:51 PM  
**To:** REDACTED  
**Subject:** Email to Bishop Ingham

Dear John

Welcome back to Australia.

Lorraine has shown me the email you sent to Bishop Peter yesterday (which he did not see). The Bishop is presently away at meetings and will not return until next Tuesday. However, I have made him aware of your email and its contents. In the meantime, I thought it appropriate to respond to those aspects of your email to which I am able.

The statement in the email from Bishop Peter that "the Signatura suspended the Decree of the Congregation for the Clergy" is not correct, as you rightly point out. The statement should have read that "the Signatura *partially* suspended ...". I regret that this omission happened and I want to assure you that the Bishop has not communicated it to others. In fact, he has let me know that he does not intend to mention or discuss your status with members of the clergy or anyone else.

I know that the Bishop is committed to his obligation of ensuring that you have adequate accommodation and do not lack what you need for your support. I understand that a hard copy of the email from the Bishop was posted to you on Tuesday (to the usual post office box address we have for you). With it was a note asking that you make contact with Tony Abela. So, Tony was in fact expecting a phone call from you in relation to your accommodation and the cheque to cover your relocation costs. Unfortunately, he is also out of the office today and tomorrow. If you have established a phone number that you can give me, I'll get Tony to ring you. Conversely, you can contact him yourself on his mobile (0417 233 910). While things are being worked out with Tony, would you mind letting me know your current address for our records?

I have also contacted Fr Michael Williams and he has confirmed that he has put in place health cover for you, starting from 1 April. The \$500/mth for sustenance (along with the remuneration and other allowances you currently receive) will continue to be paid in the usual manner.

I am not able to respond to your comments about copies of documents relating to yourself; however, I am aware that the Bishop is seeking appropriate advice.

I hope, John, that this helps to clarify those matters you raised for which I am able to comment. I will be back in the office on Tuesday (I'm only here on Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Thursdays), so please make contact then if there is anything further.

With kind regards,

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