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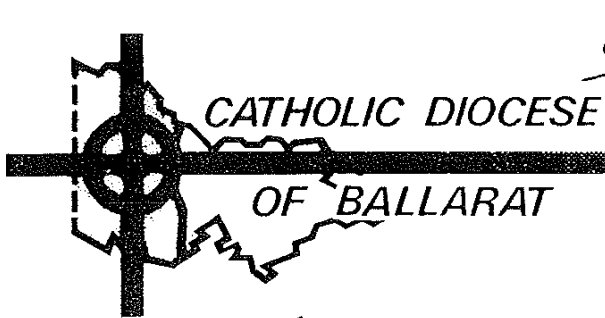
Rev. Paul David Ryan.

Dear Paul,

Greetings. I trust you are feeling better and able to face up to the issues confronting you.

The Special Issues Committee as well as the Bishop wish that you present yourself for an interview to clarify with you prospects for the future. Your situation within the Diocese and your future are matters upon which Bishop Mulhearn has specifically asked the advice of the Special Issues Committee.

In order to make the process easier for you, you are welcome to bring a canon lawyer with you or a trusted priest friend. On the other hand you could see Fr. Glynn Murphy alone instead of Glynn plus a member of the S.I.C. Glynn is available all day Wed. Oct 20 until 6.00 p.m. and all of Thursday morning, Oct 21. The place of the interview can be at the Tribunal office (preferably) or the Bishop's House, 1444 Sturt St. Obviously it is necessary for you to phone yourself, or get someone to do it for you in order to nominate place and commencement time. Simply leave a message on 053 377121 or 053 377160 (377160 is an answering machine outside office hours).



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There is a certain urgency surrounding your interview. Gerry Ridsdale is being interviewed by the police specifically on Wannambool and Mortlake cases over these current days. There is likely to be publicity in the Wannambool area, hence there is the distinct possibility that attention be focused on you.

Bishop Mulhearn has been in touch, he is worried about your lack of co-operation and expressed the fact that any movement to U.K. or U.S.A. will not be funded by the Diocese.

The S.I.C. has sought advice from outside the Diocese, that is with canonists and counsellors and the clear direction is that in order to cover possible accusations of inaction on the part of the Diocese, and in a sense be realistic in offering supervision for you, that a sanction be enacted upon you (Canon 1319) and it be in the form of suspension of financial support. Hopefully such drastic action can be avoided by you simply arranging an interview as indicated above. Our deadline is Friday, October 22, at 6.00 P.M.

Naturally I find no joy in having to convey such information but the situation is at the drastic stage. By working together we can save the day - perhaps. Please.

R... V. Kinnigan