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MEMORANDUM

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REVEREND R. PICKERING

On receipt of Tony Darvall's letter of 12th April, 1994, asking to be sent the Pickering file before it goes to the CCI's own solicitors, the Archbishop asked me to go through the file and sort out what should, and should not, be sent on to any firm of solicitors.

After a day's work searching and sorting I informed Tony Darvall that there was quite literally nothing in the file worth looking at but I would send him everything which concerned Pickering's time at East St Kilda.

Tony Darvall replied: sorry, but I still wish to see the entire file (it is all discoverable) to be certain that there is no indication of knowledge by Church authorities of the sexual propensities or activities of Fr Pickering, at any stage of his career.

I therefore wrote a Memo to Tony Darvall, dated 14th April, and the following day sent the entire file by courier to him, together with that Memo.

15th April, 1994

B.J.Fleming