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From: Megan Ivory
Sent: Thursday, 13 April 2006 10:39 AM
To: REDACTED
Cc: Maria Ieroianni
Subject: FW: from Sunday Herald Sun

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Hi Brian,

I'm sorry to have to send this to you. I have also cc'd a copy to Maria.

Megan

-----Original Message-----

From: Wright, Lincoln [mailto:REDACTED]

Sent: Thursday, 13 April 2006 10:30 AM

To: Brian Houston

Subject: from Sunday Herald Sun

Hello Mr Houston,

I was wondering if you could give me a call about a story my newspaper, Melbourne's Sunday Herald Sun, is checking.

We are examining an allegation from a Queensland pastor, Philip Powell, who claims that the Assemblies of God in New Zealand struck a confidential deal with a [AHG] a man who has made certain allegations about your late father, Frank Houston.

In a letter provided by Mr Powell and written by [AHG] it is also claimed that you have refused to meet [AHG] to discuss the matter and that the deal he struck did not preclude a further settlement with yourself [REDACTED] your church.

Is there any substance to the claim that Hillsong Australia helped fund the settlement? Is it true that you have refused to talk to [AHG]. If so, why not? Would you consider discussing these claims with me?

I understand this is a sensitive matter, but we will endeavour to treat the matter fairly. Is there a number I can call you on?

Regards,

Lincoln Wright
 Sunday Herald Sun

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