22nd June, 2002

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Bishop of Maitland-Newcastle Most Reverend Michael Malone PO Box 780 NEWCASTLE NSW 2300

Dear Bishop Malone,

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Thank you for your prompt response to the Statement of Complaint I've made against Fr Mc Alinden. I trust you have also received the copy of a letter sent to me from Fr McAlinden when I was 11 and which supports one of the incidents in the statement.

Since I have taken the very serious decision to have this matter addressed, I am agreeable to the necessary procedures of an investigation.

I have decided that, at this stage, I will not go to the Police, having confidence that the Church has, at last, the necessary conviction and will to deal fairly and with compassion to everyone concerned.

I am always available on my mobile, \(\shcap \) to make any necessary arrangements.

I am,

Yours sincerely.