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Your Excellency,

Thank you for your letter of December 7, 2005, concerning the case of Rev. Joseph PALANIVEL JEYAPPAUL, a priest from the Diocese of Ootacamund (India), who has been accused of sexual misconduct while he was serving as an external priest for your Diocese of Crookston (USA).

After having examined the whole documentation provided by Your Excellency, this Dicastery would like to note that the Congregation has communicated the facts to his Ordinary with the request that Father Jayapaul's priestly life be monitored so that he does not constitute a risk to minors and does not create scandal among the faithful.

With fraternal regards and prayerful best wishes, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,

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