

PRESS RELEASE OF THE ISTITUTO PER LE OPERE DI RELIGIONE (IOR)

IOR presses charges against two former managers

Vatican City, 06.12.2014 - The Istituto per le Opere di Religione (IOR) confirms it pressed charges against two former managers and a lawyer some months ago, underlining its commitment to transparency and zero tolerance, including with regard to matters that relate to a more distant past.

The charges submitted to the Vatican's law enforcement authorities relate to circumstances recorded between 2001 and 2008 that have emerged in the internal review process initiated in early 2013.

The accounts held by the concerned individuals at the IOR have recently been seized by order of the Promoter of Justice.

"We are very pleased that the Vatican Authorities are taking decisive action," said Jean-Baptiste de Franssu, President of the IOR Board of Superintendence.

Given the ongoing judicial enquiry, the IOR will refrain from further public statements.

Media Contact:

Max Hohenberg Markus Wieser

Tel./Mob.: +39 06 698 85 910

Email: press@ior.va

For further information please visit us on: www.ior.va