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PERSONAL/CONFIDENTIAL

* Most Reverend Leon A. Tharmaraj
Diocese of Kottar
* Bishop's House
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Your Excellency:

Enclosed please find a letter that I am sending to you to register a complaint made against Father A. M. Hilary. Since it is necessary for me to provide a copy of that letter to the complainant, I did not want to mention in it our previous correspondence about Father Hilary, nor give any indication of the questions that had been raised about his activities in the past.

Given those allegations, however, it is all the more likely that the complainant's story is absolutely accurate. I am sorry to burden you with this problem, and know that you will deal with it in the appropriate manner.

Assuring you of my prayerful best wishes, I am

Sincerely in Christ,

Leo E. O'Neil
Bishop of Manchester

Enclosures