

*Where He leads .... Let us follow without fear !*  
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**Father Higgins:**

**I have enclosed a copy of a Letter I sent on 21 August 2000. This letter outlines the severe financial burden entailed in responding to "The Accusation". As you know, the strain of this ordeal is "priced" way beyond \$14,311.16. However, the not reimbursed balance of \$12,927.50 represents an on-going grave drain on my limited resources.**

**Fr. Higgins, I have received partial reimbursement as highlighted in the original letter. I am grateful for the partial reimbursement, however, I still need the balance and one last month's paycheck. This totals approximately \$14,527.50.**

**I am anxious to get beyond the backlash of this entire horrendous experience. This financial deprivation represents a significant portion of the lingering effects of this ordeal.**

**I believe that I have served well over the years and this seemingly never-ending trial is a result of dedicated service to the Church. I further conclude that it warrants a favorable response from the Church. As dedicated priests we are easy prey to the whimsical accusations of the sick and angry. We too need protection & support.**

**Father Higgins, as of our last conversation, over three weeks ago, I was told I would receive a letter of reinstatement. To date no letter or further telephone communication has been received.**

**If there is one aspect of this experience which screams for improvement it is on-going information and communication. So many times during this bleak adventure I was left in a dark fog. "I'll keep you posted" or "I'll get back to you" were promises which were rarely fulfilled. I hope there is a response soon.**

**Respectfully,**

**C: His Eminence**



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