



THE ORTHODOX CHURCH IN AMERICA
THE ROMANIAN ORTHODOX EPISCOPATE OF AMERICA

The Most Reverend Dr. NATHANIEL Popp, Archbishop
The Right Reverend IRINEU Duvlea, Auxiliary Bishop

The Right Reverend Irineu
Bishop of Dearborn Heights
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Your Grace, Bishop Irineu:

On August 25, 2015, you were informed by His Beatitude, The Most Blessed TIKHON, Archbishop of Washington, Metropolitan of All America and Canada, that the Office of Review of Sexual Misconduct Allegations (ORSMA) of the Orthodox Church in America (OCA) had initiated an investigation of charges made against you. At that time, you were released from all duties as bishop and as abbot and suspended of all religious services and priestly activities according to the Policies, Standards and Procedures of the OCA.

In addition to these restrictions, you were informed that you were/are not allowed to contact the clergy and faithful of the Romanian Orthodox Episcopate of America (ROEA) to discuss your present status or speculate on the possible future outcome of the ORSMA investigation. However, from the very first moments of being informed of your suspension, you immediately made public your status and your opinion of the same, creating tension and division in the ROEA. The ROEA, to protect its integrity, was thus forced to make public your status in response to your own public statement.

Over the months of the ORSMA investigation, many lay people and numerous clergy have complained to me that you are harassing them with telephone calls and other means of personal communication, inciting clergy and faithful to rebel against their hierarchy. This activity shows your total disrespect and disregard of the Holy Synod of Bishops of the OCA by whom you were consecrated, your total disrespect and disregard of my authority, your total disobedience to your Hierarchy and church and is a gross violation of your Suspension status. You are disturbing the peace of the ROEA. It must stop immediately. I will continue to monitor the clergy and faithful who have complained to me. Immediately, cease from interfering in the ROEA.

+NATHANIEL, Archbishop of Detroit and The Romania Episcopate
Orthodox Church in America

Cc: Met Tikhon
Episcopate Council
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25 august, 2015

Către: Preasfinția sa, Episcopul Irineu (Duvlea)

Preasfințite Irineu,

Prin această scrisoare, doresc să vă informez că Biroul pentru revizuirea acuzațiilor referitoare la abuzuri sexuale (ORSMA) a primit o Scrisoare de plângere împotriva dvs., pe tema hărțuirii sexuale. Mai exact, în scrisoarea respectivă, sunteți acuzat de a fi făcut încercări nedorite și neacceptate de a-l atinge într-un mod sexual pe Valentin Mocanu, un individ care locuiește și lucrează la mănăstire. De asemenea, sunteți acuzat de a-i fi promis bani și alte favoruri în schimbul unei interacțiuni sexuale cu el. Acest comportament ar constitui o violare a Secțiunii 2.01 (A) a Normelor, Standardelor și Procedeeleor Bisericii Ortodoxe din America, cu privire la abuzurile sexuale (PSPs).

ORSMA, împreună cu Consistoriul Spiritual al ROEA, are obligația de a investiga această plângere. Aveți 21 de zile de la data acestei înștiințări să răspundeți la Scrisoarea de plângere, în scris sau verbal, adresându-vă superiorului dvs., Preasfinției sale Arhiepiscopului Nathaniel. De asemenea, ar trebui să trimiteți la ORSMA o listă cu numele și adresele oricăror martori care ar putea să depună mărturii în favoarea dvs. împotriva acestor acuzații, ca și orice alte documente sau dovezi pe care le considerați folositoare.

Din cauza gravității acuzației, veți fi suspendat imediat. Vă recomandăm să părăsiți Mănăstirea Înălțării Domnului, pe durata cercetărilor. Dacă preferați să plecați din stat sau din țară, vă cerem doar să vă întoarceți când va veni vremea să fiți interviuat în persoană de către echipa de intervenție.

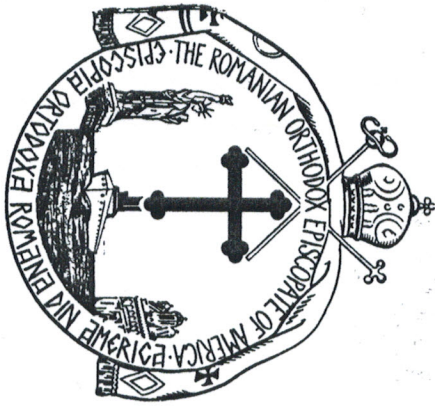
Nu aveți voie să aveți niciun contact cu Valentin Mocanu și nici cu vreun alt membru al familiei sale, și nici să discutați despre acest caz cu altcineva. Un asemenea contact ar constitui o violare gravă a PSPs. De asemenea, PSPs solicită neprecupețirea niciunui efort pentru păstrarea confidențialității tuturor părților implicate în această investigație.

Echipa de intervenție va lua legătura cu dvs. în curând, pentru a discuta procesul de investigație.

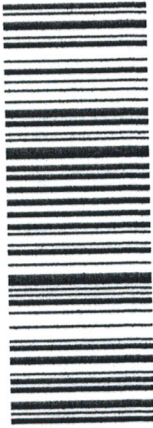
Cu stimă,

Cindy Heise, LMSW
Coordinatoare
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