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Fr. Peter Karalus
Vicar General
Diocese of Buffalo
795 Main Street
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Re: Fr. Joseph Thien Nguyen – Chaplain at Mercy Hospital, Buffalo

Dear Fr. Karalus

Please be advised that this office has been retained by VOICE, a non profit 501(c)(3) registered in California and its founder, Atty. Hoi Trinh from Australia, and VOICE Canada, a non-profit affiliate of VOICE registered in Canada, with regard to Fr. Joseph Thien Nguyen's ongoing campaign of repeatedly making false and defamatory accusations against VOICE. Specifically, he has accused VOICE and VOICE Canada of the following:

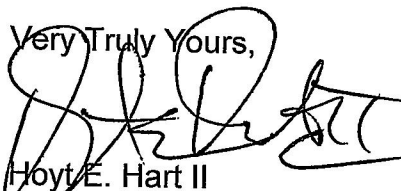
1. In their pro bono work assisting certain stateless Vietnamese refugees in Thailand to be resettled in Canada, they have replaced genuine refugees with their own people, thereby committing the crime of 'trafficking'.
2. Both VOICE and VOICE Canada have charged exorbitant fees in exchange for helping the refugees.
3. Bach Hong Quyen and his family who were recently recognized as genuine refugees by the UNHCR and resettled in Toronto by the Canadian Government are in fact a fraud as assisted by VOICE and VOICE Canada.

The above accusations are false and likely made with malicious intent as Fr. Nguyen has made them many times on social media and his circle of friends and contacts. As such, it has done, and is doing, tremendous harm to both VOICE and VOICE's ongoing work in helping needy refugees and reputation.

VOICE and VOICE Canada request that the Diocese of Buffalo deal with this matter immediately by first, requesting Fr. Nguyen to cease and desist from said defamatory campaign, retract his defamatory statements by publicly acknowledging that the statements are untrue. This request is made without prejudice and done in good faith as we assume the Diocese may not be aware of Fr Nguyen's defamatory conduct. Please acknowledge this request at your earliest convenience.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Very Truly Yours,



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Cc: Sr. Regina Murphy, Chancellor
Fr. Ryszard Biernat, Secretary to Bishop Richard Malone