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From: Catherine de Cintra
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To: Stephen Oliver
Subject: Referral
Dear Stephen

Can you ask the LADO about referring Anthony Gee to the ISA in respect of [RC-A599]
[RC-A599] The following was reported to the school by our insurers:

[RC-A599] date of birth [DPA]/65. In the JS from 1974 to 1976 and in the MS from 1976 to 1978 and US 1978 to ?. He left in the 6th Form and got a job. He has told the police that on several occasions John Maestri beat him in a sexual way and masturbated under his gown. [RC-A599] [RC-A599] complained to Fr David Pearce who asked to see the affected area and beat him on his bare bottom. The door was locked. [RC-A599] reported this to Anthony Gee who threatened him with eternal damnation and said he would destroy the reputation of his father and grandfather if he persisted with his complaints. These incidents relate to 1978/79.

Fr David was interviewed about this on 22/7/10. He and John Maestri were charged on 23/11/10 and appeared in court on 3/12/10.

Our solicitors have said:

[RC-A599] allegation appears to be that Anthony Gee was complicit in abuse by Maestri and Pearce by getting him to drop his complaints. The threats, if true, would constitute emotional abuse and would fall within the definition of relevant conduct being harmful to a child. Presumably also, if these allegations were believed to be well-founded, the school would cease to use Anthony Gee's services if he had not already retired. So again I would advise informing social services and consulting the LADO on whether there should be a referral to ISA.

Should I refer Anthony Gee to the ISA?

Thanks

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