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NOTICE BY POST & EMAIL

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November 1, 2011

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By Postal Mail & Email

Dear Sir Madam:

This is a request of the Cabinet Office under the Freedom of Information Act of 2000 regarding the visit of Benedict XVI to the UK in September 16-19, 2010 and events that transpired before, during, and after that visit.

Background to Request

On September 13, 2010 in advance of Benedict XVI's state visit to the United Kingdom arranged by your office, the attached lawsuit was filed by the European Raelian Movement in The High Court, Queen's Bench Division. The lawsuit alleged Benedict was responsible for the deaths of millions, orphaning of children and needless HIV infection of millions more due to his stance against condoms. The lawsuit also alleged that because of the Raelian Movement's stance in support of condoms and denunciation of the Vatican for promoting and covering up pedophilia, Benedict had ordered retaliation against the Raelian Movement members in the UK and worldwide. (Exhibit One)



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High Court Master Foster, while permitting the lawsuit to be filed, stayed service of the Pope while in the UK and later refused without comment or hearing to lift the stay on service effectively halting the legal proceedings. (Exhibit Two)

The lawsuit by the Raelian Movement was the first of its type against Benedict in the UK yet the denial of service effectively blocked it from being carried out. The UK press boycotted the story, though it was reported on extensively in Canada and on the Internet.

The title of the case in question is:

RCJ Queen's Bench Division

Case Number: HQ10D03453

European Raelian Movement v Joseph Ratzinger Also known As Benedict XVI

Since at least 2001, the Raelian Movement in England has actively condemned pedophilia by the clergy of the Roman Catholic Church and its stance against condoms. The Raelian Movement worldwide on numerous occasions in the past ten years has publicly condemned the position of the Pope and Vatican on condoms including numerous public demonstrations around the world including England – the Vatican and its Pope deny scientific fact that condoms prevent the spread of the HIV virus and particularly encourages people in developing nations to eschew condoms and in particular is responsible for millions of deaths by HIV infection in Africa.

In 2001, the Raelian Movement established the advocacy group NOPEDO to unmask and expose the fostering and cover up of pedophilia among the clergy of the Roman Catholic Church. On September 2002, the Raelian Movement publicly filed and Urgent Appeal with Mr. Juan Miguel Petit, the Special Rapporteur on the Sale of Children, Child Prostitution and Child, Pornography at the Office Of the High Commissioner for Human Rights, United Nations at Geneva detailing child trafficking, procurement, and sexual abuse by agents of the Roman Catholic Church that violated Convention on the Rights of the Child and the Optional Protocol on the Sale of Children, Child Prostitution and Child Pornography. The Raelian Movement followed up its Urgent Appeal with further communications to the Special Rapporteur's office in 2003, 2004 and 2005.



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In 2001, the activities of NOPEDO came to the direct attention of the Benedict, formerly Cardinal Ratzinger, Vatican Prefect of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, who instructed his agents in Belgium and Switzerland to commence a libel action against NOPEDO and the Raelian Movement. This resulted in an order by the Belgian courts based upon knowingly false assertions made by Ratzinger that his organization did not promote or cover up pedophilia and an unsuccessful attempt by Benedict's agents in Switzerland to misuse the court system in the same fashion. The Vatican by 2002 also became aware of the Raelian Movement's stances on condoms and stem cell research and ordered his agents in Quebec and worldwide to commence a campaign of deliberate disinformation against claimant branding claimant as a dangerous cult.

The Cabinet Office was the lead agency responsible for Benedict's visit to the UK in September 2010. The Cabinet Office was aware that various legal threatened to disrupt the Pope's visit. On August 23, 2011, the Raelian Movement posted pre litigation Letter of Claim directly to Benedict. The Vatican received the letter prior to the visit and per protocol notified the Cabinet Office.

Simultaneously with these events, activist Richard Dawkins supported a call for the Pope's arrest for "crimes against humanity", an idea first proposed by journalist Christopher Hitchen. Human rights lawyer Geoffrey Robertson investigated options to charge the Pope over his alleged cover-up of sexual abuse in the Catholic Church. A coalition of human rights and secular activists named Protest the Pope, called for the Pope's arrest and activist Peter Tatchell considered making a citizens arrest of the Pope.

In the end, only the Raelian Movement took legal action against the Pope, the other groups apparently were dissuaded by the Cabinet Office or others acting at the Cabinet Office's direction.

Request

The following information is requested including electronic documents such as emails, faxes, and digital voicemails.



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1. All policy documents pertaining to the Cabinet Office's strategy to deal with perceived legal threats to the Pope before, during and after his September 2010 visit to the UK.
2. Information pertaining to actions taken in regards to the above policy and strategy.
3. All information specifically dealing with the Raelian Movement and the above mentioned lawsuit including collateral contact with the media, courts, and Vatican;

Please respond by email to jon.levy@rael.org.

Sincerely,



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Attachments (2)



Claim Form

High Court of Justice
Queen's Bench Division

CLAIMANT'S COPY

Claim No.	HR 10X03453
Issue date	13 SEP 2010

Claimant

EUROPEAN Raelian MOVEMENT
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Defendant(s)

Joseph Ratzinger also known as Benedict XVI



Brief details of claim

This is a claim for Tortious Interference in Business Affairs by Benedict XVI who personally orchestrated a campaign of disinformation, retaliation and interference in the business of the European Raelian Movement in retaliation for its stance on pedophilia that is rampant within the Catholic Church clergy including the Catholic Church's cover up of pedophilia and the Raelian Movement's opposition to the Roman Catholic Church's genocidal position on condoms in Africa which resulted in the deaths of millions, orphaning of children and needless infection with HIV of others. These actions have harmed the claimant in England and Wales and throughout Europe and has resulted in persecution of the Raelian Movement and its members and resultingly damage to the Raelian Movement's business. Claimant seeks punitive damages.

Value

Claimant expects to recover not more than £1,000 in direct damages exclusive of punitive damages.

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Defendant's
name and
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NI Claim form (CPR Part 7) (01/02)

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27th October 2010

Dear Sir,

RE : Case Number : HQ10D03453

European Raelian Movement v Joseph Ratzinger Also Jnown As Benedict Xvi

Pursuant to your letter dated 20th October 2010, requesting that Master Foster lift the Stay of Service, Master Foster has read your correspondance and your request is refused.

Yours faithfully

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cc Clement Chigbo
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