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DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNICATIONS

**Response of The Most Rev. Richard Lennon to the PBS
Program "Hand of God"**

The events in which I am depicted in "The Hand of God" documentary require a full understanding of the circumstances so those events may be properly understood.

Prior to the filmed encounter, I spoke with an individual who was walking around the Chancery property filming the building and grounds. I asked him to leave the property, explaining it was private property. He left the grounds as asked. A few hours later, I noticed three persons outside the Chancery building with the man who I had spoken with earlier, again, filming. I went outside to ask the people to leave the property. The parties involved were never identified and the sole issue in our exchange involved their presence on private property. I was taunted and treated in an extraordinarily unprofessional manner, resulting in the exchange as portrayed in the documentary.

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