ERASTO GUZMAN CHAVEZ

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Erasto Guzman
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C/o Antonio Guzman/Isabelle Sanchez
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NETZAHUALCOJOTL,
MEXICO

Mailed to
Fr. Zegar 3/12/93.

March 11, 1993

Most Reverend Felipe Padilla Cardona
Bishop of Huajuapan de Leon
Apartado 43
Madero 8
69000 Huajuapan de Leon
Oaxaca, MEXICO

Your Excellency:

The Episcopal Vicar for the Spanish-speaking in this Archdiocese, Rev. David Zegar, has reported to me about his visit to Huajuapan de Leon and his conversation with you in regard to the possibility of two priests from your diocese coming to Oregon to assist in ministering to our far-flung and growing Hispanic community, many of whom come from the regions of Huajuapan and Oaxaca.

With this letter I want to extend a formal invitation to you to consider this possibility as a missionary outreach on the part of your diocese, in order to assist us in providing the necessary pastoral care to the increasing numbers of Spanish-speaking persons in this Archdiocese, the great majority of whom come from Mexico.

Perhaps it would be useful for me to set forth in a preliminary fashion my understanding of the discussions which Fr. Zegar had with you. This will provide you with the opportunity to let me know of any specific requirements or conditions which you think should be a part of an eventual arrangement between our two dioceses.

Fr. Zegar has reviewed with me his conversation with you about an arrangement in which the Diocese of Huajuapan would send two priests for a 3-year assignment to assist in the pastoral care of Hispanics here. During this period it would be expected that they would take courses in the English language as well as engage in priestly pastoral ministry. Before the end of this 3-year period, it would be expected that an assessment would be made to determine the possibility and suitability of extending or renewing the arrangement for another 3-year period, either with one or both of these priests, or with other priests from the Huajuapan diocese.

The Archdiocese of Portland would provide these priests with a monthly stipend (currently $800 plus $5 per year of ordination), with room and board, and with medical health benefits. In addition the Archdiocese would provide to the Diocese of Huajuapan the same contribution which we make to cover the retirement pension for each of our priests: $2,000 annually. Priests of the Archdiocese are expected to provide their own transportation from their monthly stipend; the Archdiocese would assist these priests in leasing a

car for their transportation needs.

Fr. Zegar has also informed me that you have indicated you would welcome priests from this Archdiocese to come to Huajuapan for the purpose of furthering their knowledge of Spanish. Thank you for this offer; I shall look for the occasion to suggest this possibility to our priests.

This initiative responds to a serious pastoral need here in the Archdiocese, where at present we have no native Spanish-speaking priest to work with our American clergy in ministering to the Hispanic community. The possibility of priests from Huajuapan coming to serve our people is a source of great hope for me, as I know it will be for our priests and people. For this I give thanks to God and to Your Excellency.

It is my intention to telephone you to discuss this letter, so that I may know whether there are further considerations you think we should address. One such consideration would be when the priests might be available to come to Portland. For my part, I would be happy to receive them as soon as that would be convenient. The new assignment period for our priests begins each July 1, but another date -- even earlier -- would be possible for us as well.

I know several of the Bishops of Mexico from my participation in the Alta-Baja California bishops' meetings in the years 1982-1986; and I regularly meet several of them at the annual workshop in Dallas sponsored by the Knights of Columbus and the Pope John Center, of whose Board of Directors I am currently the chairman. I look forward to meeting you soon. If I am unable to schedule a visit to Huajuapan before August, I will make every effort to arrange to see you during your visit to Los Angeles. Please be assured that you would be welcome to visit us here in Portland at your convenience.

Looking forward to our conversation, and with prayerful best wishes for Your Excellency, I am

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend William J. Levada
Archbishop of Portland

cc: Rev. David Zegar
Episcopal Vicar

April 29, 1993

Most Reverend
Archbishop
William J. Levada
2838 E. Burnside Street

Your Excellency:

Please receive my regards and best wishes for God's blessings upon you and your ministry.

With great satisfaction I received your letter dated March 17, 1993. I would like to inform you that I totally agree with your letter and the problems you expose in it, which I have discussed earlier with Fr. David Zegar. Although my diocese has its own limitations, we are also concerned with the people from our Diocese who are working now in Oregon. I talked with Fr. Zegar about the increasing numbers of hispanics in Oregon, and that you need to meet their needs in the camps and farms. The Diocese of Huajuapan will be very happy to offer the services of two of its priests. They are very willing to minister for three years with the hispanic people in your Archdiocese.

The first priest is Ernesto Guzmán Chávez. He was born in Oaxaca on July 26, 1951 and was ordained on December 15, 1979. The second priest is Evaristo Santamaría Jiménez. He was also born in Oaxaca on October 26, 1956 and was ordained on September 14, 1985.

Both are very enthusiastic with the idea of serving their brothers and sisters in Oregon. They accept the conditions you explain in your letter for their stay and work in Oregon.

They would like to arrive in Oregon late in May. They already have their passports, and we would like you to instruct us in the process we have to follow to obtain the corresponding visas to stay three years in Oregon.

They want to study English and learn about your Pastoral Plan, so they can start working immediately.

I would be very happy to meet with Your Excellency to talk about this matters. I am going to travel to Los Angeles, California on June 5, 6, ~~19, 20 and 21~~, 1993. If these dates are not convenient, I am open to any suggestions from Your Excellency.

My Diocese would be glad to have one or two of your priests come to learn Spanish and get acquainted with our region's culture and traditions. Also, I would be delighted if Your Excellency visits us in our Diocese at your convenience.

Praying that the blessings of Christ come upon you, I remain.

Respectfully yours,

Felipe Padilla Cardona
Bishop of Huajuapan

Felipe Padilla Cardona
OBISPO DE HUAJUAPAN.

29 de abril de 1993.

MAY 17 1993

Su Excelencia
Sr. Arzobispo
Dn. William J. Levada
2838 E. Burnside Street.

Excelentísimo Sr.

Reciba muchos saludos y mis mejores augurios a - fin de que Dios lo bendiga y lo acompañe en su Trabajo Pastoral.

Con mucho gusto recibí una carta del pasado 17 - de marzo de 1993, y quiero comunicarle que estoy completamente - de acuerdo con todo lo que me dice; es lo que platiqué con el Padre David Zegar. Mi Diócesis aunque tiene limitaciones, tiene - preocupación por los fieles de esta Diócesis que trabajan en — Oregon U.S.A. y al platicar con el P. David sobre los Hispanos - que están aumentando en número y necesitan que se les atienda en el propio campo de trabajo, con mucho gusto la Diócesis de Hua— juapan ofrece dos sacerdotes que quieren con mucha entrega ejercer su ministerio sacerdotal, durante 3 años, con la gente de habla Hispana, en su Arquidiócesis. Ellos se llaman: Erasto Guzmán-Chávez, nació en esta Región Oaxaqueña el 26 de julio de 1951 y- fue ordenado sacerdote el 15 de Diciembre de 1979; Evaristo Santamaría Jiménez, también nació en el Estado de Oaxaca, el 26 de- octubre de 1956 y fue ordenado sacerdote el 14 de septiembre de- 1985.

Ellos van con gran entusiasmo para servir a sus- hermanos y aceptan voluntariamente, como también yo, todos los - requisitos sobre su Estancia, Economía, lo que deben hacer, que- me comunica en su carta.

Ellos quisieran estar allá a fines del prósimo - mes de mayo; ya tienen su pasaporte mexicano y solo esperan que- ustedes nos digan el camino a seguir para obtener la Visa americana, de permanencia, al menos de 3 años, en Oregon.

Están de acuerdo en aprender bien el Inglés y co nocer lo más pronto posible un plan de Pastoral para insertarse- inmediatamente en él.

Con mucho gusto me encontraría con Su Excelencia, para dialogar sobre este particular. Yo voy a estar en los Angeles California el 5, 6, 19, 20, 21 de junio respectivamente. Pero si Su Excelencia dispone otra cosa, con gusto la acepto.

Mi Diócesis igualmente está abierta para recibir uno o dos sacerdotes que quieran aprender la lengua, cultura y tradición de esta región.

Con igual alegría es Su Excelencia invitado y bienvenido, cuando lo crea conveniente, en esta su Diócesis de Huajuapan de León, Oax.

Que Cristo Resucitado siempre lo bendiga y acompañe.

Suyo

+ Felipe Padilla C

Felipe Padilla Cardona.
Obispo de Huajuapan.

PD 0451

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REFERRAL MEMORANDUM FROM ARCHBISHOP WILLIAM LEVADA

Date MAY 21 1993

To Fr. Lienert

( ) Please review, then SEE me

( ) Please review, then RETURN to me

( ) Please review, then SEND me your COMMENTS

( ) Please review, then FILE

( ) Please take appropriate action

( ) Please answer with your signature; send copy of letter to me

(✓) Please write a reply for my signature

( ) For your information

( ) Make appointment for party to see me

Date _____ Time _____

( ) Make appointment for party to see you

( ) Telephone party and explain

( ) Response requested by _____, please

REMARKS: _____

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Vicar For Clergy

ARCHDIOCESE OF PORTLAND IN OREGON

August 17, 1993

To Whom It May Concern,

Father Erasto Guzman Chávez is an ordained Catholic priest who is working for the Archdiocese of Portland in pastoral ministry. He has the authority of the Catholic Church to perform Catholic marriages.

Sincerely yours,

Reverend Charles Lienert
Vicar for Clergy

CL:cc

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ARCHDIOCESE OF PORTLAND IN OREGON

Office of the Archbishop

November 3, 1993

Reverend Erasto Guzman Chavez
St. Alexander Parish
P.O. Box 644
Cornelius, OR 97113

Dear Father Guzman:

With this letter I am pleased to appoint you parochial vicar in the parish of St. Alexander in Cornelius, Oregon, and misionero asociado for the Mision Guadalupe. The effective date of this appointment is September 1, 1993.

By reason of this appointment, you possess all the faculties required to fulfill your new office. Enclosed you will find a copy of the archdiocesan faculties for pastors and parochial vicars.

You will be expected to undertake the duties and responsibilities as well as enjoy the rights and privileges accorded parochial vicars as outlined in the prescriptions of the Code of Canon Law (Cf. Canons 545-552), archdiocesan clergy personnel policy, official letters and approved custom.

We enclose also at this time a form which we ask you to fill out and return to us. This personal record form will give us the information we need to complete our files.

Welcoming you into the Archdiocese, and praying upon you every blessing and an abundance of God's grace for success in your new assignment, I am

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend William J. Levada
Archbishop of Portland

WJL:gg

cc: Most Reverend Felipe Padilla Cardona
Reverend David Zegar

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P. Erasto

5-12-94

Sunday Mass at 11:30 and 5:30

Sat. eve Mass — few attend

Lent, Easter → Mass on Wed. eve

Mon. – grupo de oración (Cornelius)

Thurs – " (Hillsboro)

Confessions during Mass when not celebrating

Via Crucis – Fridays of Lent

Grupo juvenil (with Alejandro) – various places

Casos de orientacion – family + personal matters

Preparation for weddings (for here, for Mexico)

Visits to camps (few in winter)

Rosary in some homes — home visits, blessings

Retreats w/p. Evaristo, Cacalomacan

Catechesis? – only on request

Sun. – curso biblico? too many interruptions

Areas of greater possibility: retreats
prep. of ministers
cursos para catechistas
concrete activity to meet mixtecos

P. David —

little communication

Ok except for a few occasion of friction

unwilling to plan pastoral activities

criticized for lack of initiative

like a new pastor: "pray - study"

Future?

I feel "inactive" after 14 superactive years

still no telephone

ARCHDIOCESE OF PORTLAND IN OREGON

Office of Hispanic Ministries
Oficina De Ministerios Hispanos

MEMORANDUM

TO: ARCHBISHOP LEVADA

FROM: ALEJANDRO AGUILERA-TITUS aat

SUBJECT: VISIT WITH MEXICAN BISHOPS

DATE: January 3, 1995

1. Meeting with Bishop Felipe Padilla, of Huajuapan de Leon, Oaxaca.

I met with Bishop Felipe Padilla on December 28, 1994. We had a very pleasant and friendly visit. The outcome of the meeting as follows:

Bishop Padilla is very happy with the experience. He heard very good things from both Padre Erasto and Padre Evaristo.

Bishop is more than happy to continue the experience; and he is very open to our suggestions to have Padre Erasto or Padre Evaristo stay for an extra time in order to help the new coming priests to adapt.

Bishop is delighted to accept your invitation to come to the Archdiocese this September. He expressed an interest of spending 10 days in the Northwest.

Bishop sends his regards and appreciation for the gift and he will write to you soon.

2. Meeting with Bishop Luis Morales Reyes, at Torreon, Coahuila

I met with Bishop Morales on Friday December 23rd. The meeting was very pleasant. Bishop Morales expressed his interest in exploring the possibility of an exchange of priests in a year or two.

Bishop Morales will send a reply to your letter in the near future.

I will be very happy to meet with you to share more in detail the conversations I had with both Bishops.

cc: Fr. Paul Peri
Fr. Charles Lienert

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Office of the Archbishop

June 12, 1995

Reverend Erasto Guzman Chavez
St. Alexander Parish
P.O. Box 644
Cornelius, OR 97113

Dear Father Guzman:

With this letter, I am pleased to notify you of your appointment as co-administrator of St. Alexander Parish, Cornelius, Oregon. This appointment is effective July 1, 1995. Father Martin Senko will fulfill the duties of moderator of the pastoral team and will be responsible for the parish administration.

I commit to you the full care of souls in the above stated parish and I grant you all the faculties necessary for you to fulfill this office. Enclosed, then, you will find the faculties of the Archdiocese for Pastors and Parochial Vicars.

You will bear the duties and responsibilities and enjoy the rights and the privileges accorded to administrators, in accordance with the prescriptions of the Code of Canon Law, official letters and approved custom.

You will find enclosed forms for your Profession of Faith and Oath of Office. At your early convenience you should make your Profession of Faith and take the Oath of Office in the presence of Father Martin Senko. The forms should then be forwarded to the Clergy Personnel office for filing.

Assuring you of my gratitude for your ministry at St. Alexander Parish these past two years, and praying God's blessings upon you and your work as you continue at St. Alexander Parish, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend William J. Levada
Archbishop of Portland

Enclosures

cc: Reverend Martin Senko

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ARCHDIOCESE OF PORTLAND IN OREGON

Vicar for Clergy

MEMORANDUM

TO: Father Paul Peri

FROM: Father Charles Lienert

SUBJECT: The Death of Father Erasto's Father

DATE: February 20, 1996

Father Erasto has just returned from Mexico. I asked him to give us some information about his father and told him that we would send a notice to the priests about his death and ask for their prayers.

I have enclosed the information he provided.

CJL:gg

Enclosure

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Guillermo Modesto Guzmán ~~Chávez~~ Rojos

He born June 14 1905. Died at January 29 1996. He born in Huaquapan de León Oax. He merried with Teofila Chávez López 1949. Survivied His Wife and 5 sons and two daughter. 17 grandson and granddoughters.

ARCHDIOCESE OF PORTLAND IN OREGON

February 21, 1996

Dear Father:

Today I received word from Father Erasto Guzman Chavez, co-administrator at St. Alexander parish, Cornelius and priest of the Diocese of Huajuapan, of the death of his father, Guillermo Modesto Guzman Rojos. His father died January 29, 1996, in Mexico at the age of 90.

Mr. Guzman Rojos was born in Huajuapan de Leon, Oaxaca, Mexico on June 14, 1905. In 1949 he married Teofila Chavez Lopez.

Surviving are his wife, five sons, two daughters, and 17 grandchildren.

Please remember the Guzman Chavez family in your prayers.

Sincerely yours,

Reverend Paul F. Peri
Vicar General

PFP:dbg

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Rev. Paul Peri
2838 E Burnside
Portland OR 97214-1895

May 6, 1997

Dear Fr. Paul Peri,

Rev. Erasto Guzman Chavez, Co-administrator of St. Alexander Church in Cornelius, has been a friend of our family for the last four years. During this time I have become worried about his relationships with girls and young women.

My own experience with him has caused me concern. When I was 15 years old, Father would visit our home often. Once, when he was sitting beside me on the sofa, he put his hand up the inside of my blouse, touching my back. I felt really uncomfortable.

For a couple of years, I did not appreciate the kinds of hugs he gave to me. On one occasion three years ago, he not only hugged me, but gave me a kiss on the cheek with his tongue extended. After that, I refused to let him touch me any more.

I really feel betrayed and angry by these kinds of actions. They are not what I expect of a priest. The good that he is doing is being over-weighed by the harm that is happening to girls and young women.

It is my prayer that you take this situation seriously and that Father will be able to get help before more girls are hurt.

Sincerely,

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Rev. Paul Peri
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May 6, 1997

Dear Fr. Paul Peri,

I want to write to you about my experiences with Fr. Erasto Guzman Chavez, Co-administrator of St. Alexander Church in Cornelius.

For the last three years, when I have been involved with the young adult group in my parish, I have had opportunities to witness how he interacts with young people, especially young girls and young women.

Once recently, when he hugged me, he was also touching the sides of my breasts. Another time, when his body was pressing against mine in a hug, I said, "Oh, Father, you hug very hard." I was very uncomfortable. He only smiled and ignored what I was trying to say. It was then that I knew I needed to do something.

One evening, after church service, my mother was still praying in front of the altar. My fifteen year old sister, and I were waiting in a back pew. Father Erasto came over and sat beside us. He took my sister on his lap, held her and rocked her. finally worked herself out of the situation. I was afraid for her.

My greatest desire is that Father Erasto will get help. If he is only moved to another place, the problem remains, and that could be disastrous. I ask for your serious consideration and immediate action on this matter.

Sincerely,

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May 6, 1997

Dear Fr. Paul Peri,

I have known Fr. Erasto Guzman Chavez, Co-administrator of St. Alexander Church in Cornelius, for a little more than one year. Some time after I moved to Oregon in 1995, I began working with the young adults of our parish. At that time I was 21 years old.

Last year, I prepared 15 children (ages 12-15) for their First Reconciliation and First Communion. After their first reconciliation, two girls (age 15) came to me and asked why Father had touched their breasts during this sacrament. I could not believe what I heard. I told them that maybe Father was giving them a blessing and had accidentally touched them, but I didn't really believe that to be the case. The girls were very angry and didn't want to ever go to reconciliation with Father again.

I feel very sorry for the girls. I was not able to help them because I couldn't believe what they were telling me. I feel bad that they may not go to confession again for fear of what happened. I am willing to cooperate in whatever way I can to help Father Erasto.

Sincerely,

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ARCHDIOCESE OF PORTLAND IN OREGON

Vicar for Clergy

MEMORANDUM

TO: File

FROM: Father Charles Lienert

SUBJECT: Meeting between Bishop Steiner, Father Erasto Guzman and Father Lienert

DATE: June 17, 1997

Bishop Steiner and I met with Father Erasto Guzman this morning concerning the allegations which have been made about him.

He told us that he has spoken with Father Gustavo and with an attorney, Angel Lopez, 621 S.W. Morrison St., Suite 1250, Portland, OR (241-4708). He asked the attorney to call me. I told Father Erasto that I would contact the attorney and give him our attorney's number (Tom Dulcich) and ask him to speak with Tom as well.

Bishop Steiner and I told Father Erasto the following:

1) He is restricted from any individual contact with women because of these allegations. (I will inform Father Martin Senko, the coordinator of his pastoral team, of these restrictions.)

2) Because of the needs of the people and the unavailability of any other Spanish-speaking priest at this time, we informed him that he is permitted to celebrate the Eucharist and the sacraments for the people.

3) He should speak to his Bishop about this matter and Bishop Steiner will also contact his Bishop. (We tried to call him during the meeting, but he will not be available until next Monday.)

4) We told him that we wanted him to take his vacation early beginning next week and return to Mexico. During his vacation we could pursue further with his Bishop what

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additional steps should be taken. We told him that if he wants to continue in ministry in this Archdiocese, he would need to undergo some psychological evaluation and we would have to make a decision based on that evaluation.

He informed us that he was scheduled to go on vacation the week of July 20th. Between now and that time he has numerous weddings, First Communions and sacramental activities scheduled. He does not have a replacement for vacation.

5) We asked him to inform Raul as soon as he had spoken to his Bishop.

CJL:gg

cc: Bishop Kenneth Steiner

ARCHDIOCESE OF PORTLAND IN OREGON

Office of Clergy Personnel

Fr. Erasto

Pedro Moreno 1A

Huajuapan de Leon

Oaxaca 69000

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40%

1-2 yrs 5

2-4 10

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ARCHDIOCESE OF PORTLAND IN OREGON

MEMORANDUM

Date: September 24, 1997
To: Father Lienert
From: Rex Ryan RR

Re: Erasto, Evaristo, Martinez Pay issues

Erasto and Evaristo are being paid directly from the Pastoral Center payroll department. If memory serves, this was initially done to reduce the administrative load for parishes and to assure appropriate withholding for tax purposes. Checks for Erasto have been sent to St Alexander in the past; Evaristo's checks are being sent to St Anne, Gresham.

The salaries and benefits are being charged to Special Assignments. Note that costs related to education are being charged to Continuing Education. This is the same structure as was used in prior years.

Erasto owes approximately $700 on the outstanding loan.

As of this Spring, St Joseph, Salem starting paying Alfonso Martinez. Prior to that he was paid out of Ethnic Vicariate Grants from the Pastoral Center.

Recommendations

- Formally terminate Erasto (to support our ceasing his checks).
- Authorize payment of the remainder of the Erasto loan from the $18,000 salary budget in Special Assignments that was earmarked for Erasto.

Let me know if you need any additional information (211).

If you agree with the recommendations please send a brief memo to the effect.

Thanks for the help.

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ARCHDIOCESE OF PORTLAND IN OREGON

Vicar for Clergy

MEMORANDUM

TO: Rex Ryan

FROM: Father Charles Lienert

SUBJECT: Frs. Erasto Guzman, Evaristo Santamaria, and Alfonso Martinez - Pay Issues

DATE: September 25, 1997

I concur with your recommendations. Specifically, the following should be done:

1) Terminate Father Erasto Guzman's salary, effective September 1, 1997 (or August 1, 1997, if he has not already been paid for August).

2) Pay off Father Erasto's loan of approximately $700 from Special Assignments.

3) Continue payment of Father Evaristo Santamaria's salary and benefits from Special Assignments.

4) An additional priest from Mexico will be assigned to Cornelius. He should be paid from the Ethnic Vicariate grant to Cornelius. This assignment won't take place until October or November.

CJL:gg

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[redacted]
Chavez, Rev. Erasto Guzman
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REV. ERASTO GUZMAN (CHAVEZ)

MATERIALS PLACED IN THE SECRET
ARCHIVES BY FR. CHARLES LIENERT
ON 11/6/01

PD 0472

FECHA: _____ SEGURO SOCIAL: 544-41-4186

HISTORIAL DEL PBRO. Erasto Guzman Chávez
(nombre) (apellido paternal) (apellido maternal)

(INFORMACION PUBLICA)

Nombre del Padre Guillermo Guzmán Rojas

Nombre de la Madre Teofila Chávez López

Fecha y Lugar del Nacimiento 26 de Julio 1951. Juxtlahuaca, Oax.

Ciudadania Actual Mexicana

Si Está Naturalizado. Fecha y Lugar _____

Seminario (Escuela Secundaria) Fechas y Lugares Seminario Menor Diocesano del 15 de diciembre de 1967 a junio de 1972. En Huajuapan de León, Oaxaca, México.

Colegio - Fechas y Lugares Facultad de Filosofía del Seminario Mayor Diocesano de agosto de 1972 a junio de 1975. En Huajuapan de León, Oaxaca México

Seminario - Fechas y Lugares Facultad de Teología en el Seminario Mayor Diocesano de agosto de 1975 a junio de de 1979 en Huajuapan de León, Oaxaca, México.

Postgrado - Fechas y Lugares _____

Grados - Fechas y Lugares Profesor de Educación Primaria. Normal Quevedo Puebla 1985.

Ordenación - Fecha y Lugar 15 de diciembre de 1979 en Huajuapan

Obispo Que le Ordenó José López Lara. Excmo. Sr. Obpo.

Ordenado para Cuál Diocesis o Comunidad Huajuapan de León, Oaxaca, Méx.

Si Está Incardinado en el Arquidiocesis de Portland - Fecha no

¿Cuales Idiomas Habla? Español.

Nombre y Dirección del Pariente o Amigo Quien Vive Más Cerca Padre Evaristo Santamaría Jiménez en la Misión San José. Salem, Oregon.

Lista de Dignidades Eclesiasticas Y Las Fechas Recibidas _____

Apunte El Trabajo o Asignación Especial y las Fechas Director de la Escuela Primaria Parroquial Incorporada "Cristobal Colón" de San Pedro Yeloixtlahuaca, Puebla de 1981 a 1986.

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U.S. Department of Justice
Immigration and Naturalization Service

Notice of Action

THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

RECEIPT NUMBER LIN-97-197-50557		CASE TYPE I360 PETITION FOR AMERASIAN, WIDOWER, OR SPECIAL IMMIGRANT
RECEIPT DATE July 2, 1997	PRIORITY DATE June 16, 1997	PETITIONER ARCHDIOCESE OF PORTLAND IN OREGON
NOTICE DATE July 23, 1997	PAGE 1 of 1	BENEFICIARY GUZMAN CHAVEZ, ERASTO

ARCHDIOCESE OF PORTLAND IN OREGON
2838 E BURNSIDE ST
PORTLAND OR 97214-1895

Notice Type: Approval Notice
Section: Special Immigrant-Religious Worker, Sec.101(a)(27)(C)(ii)

Courtesy Copy: Original sent to: ROSSITER, SUSAN

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ARCHDIOCESE OF PORTLAND IN OREGON

Parish/Location

PERSONNEL ACTION FORM

EMPLOYEE Erasto Guzman-Chavez DEPARTMENT/SUPERVISOR: _____

- ☐ New Hire
- ☐ Promotion
- ☐ Transfer
- ☐ Temp. asgmt.
- ☐ Other _____
- ☐ Vacation
- ☐ Leave of Absence
- ☐ Injury
- ☐ Retreat
- ☐ Seminar
- ☐ Sick Leave
- ☐ Resignation
- ☐ Layoff
- ☐ Retirement
- ☐ Discharge
- ☐ Disability
- ☐ Suspension
- ☐ Name Change
- ☐ Address Change
- ☐ Anniversary Date Change
- ☐ Pay Change
- ☐ Job Reevaluation
- ☐ Written Warning
- ☐ Verbal Warning
- ☐ Probation Report

code J

EXPLAIN ACTION CHECKED ABOVE Food 496.80

Pay Father Guzman for July what he has received in the past. Father Guzman's status will need to be evaluated for August. Should be paid out of 860 (Grant).

(If more space is required use reverse)

Employee Signature _____ Date _____

ANNIVERSARY DATE _____ ___Check if Changed

Pay Rate: 1287.48 New Pay Rate: _____ Date Effective _____

Job Classification _____ New Classification _____ Effective _____

Other: _____

Reviewed By: _____ Date _____

Approved By: _____ Date July 23, 1997

OFFICE USE ONLY

☐ Vacation Days Earned _____ ☐ Vacation Days Taken _____

Vacation Days Remaining _____

Leave of Absence Expires _____

Records completed ☐ _____ By: _____

Date

WHITE: Personnel File
YELLOW: Payroll
PINK: Employee

9/91

ARCHDIOCESE OF PORTLAND IN OREGON

Administrator of the Archdiocese

June 23, 1997

To Whom It May Concern:

Father Erasto Guzman began working for the Archdiocese of Portland in August of 1993. He has been assigned to St. Alexander in Cornelius, first as a parochial vicar and then as an administrator.

As a parochial vicar and administrator, Father Guzman's duties include the celebration of Mass and the sacraments, the pastoral care of people in the parish and teaching as well as other activities appropriate to an ordained priest.

The R-1 visa extension is filed in order that the continuity of Father Guzman's work at St. Alexander Parish not be jeopardized until such time as approval of his petition for permanent residency as a special immigrant is approved.

Sincerely yours,

Most Reverend Kenneth D. Steiner
Administrator of the Archdiocese of Portland

KDS:gg

2838 E. Burnside Street, Portland, Oregon 97214-1895 503/234-5334

Fr. Erasto's file

June 25, 1997

Concerns expressed by Fr. Erasto Guzmán:

1. When he has to leave and return? SOON AS POSSIBLE – RETURN AUG.
2. His understanding was the Archdiocese would pay for his plane ticket. YES
3. How much vacation time he has to take? 1 MO. 5 WKS.
4. Where and when he has to go through the psychological evaluation or counseling? ? Fr. L.
5. Will this counseling be done during his vacation time? NO
6. Will he be able to receive his salary if he leaves before the end of the month? YES

FOR VACATION TIME –
AND ADM. LEAVE –

ARCHDIOCESE OF PORTLAND IN OREGON

Vicar for Clergy

MEMORANDUM

TO: File

FROM: Father Charles Lienert

SUBJECT: Father Erasto Guzman

DATE: June 17, 1997

contacted me during the week of April 28. She said that a woman who is in formation in their community told her that Father Erasto Guzman had touched her in an improper way. I told her that I would be willing to speak with this individual. When she called back to tell me that this woman and some others were willing to speak with me, I told her I was going to be gone for two weeks and asked that she meet with Father Peri. Father Peri, Paulette Furness and Barbara Baltz met with them to hear the allegation.

conducted an investigation and reached the conclusion that the women seemed to be credible. There were four kinds of behavior described:

1) Father hugged women too tightly and too long.

2) He touched the breasts of some women while he was hugging them.

3) He kissed or attempted to kiss some women in a more than familial fashion.

4) He touched two girls in Confession in a way that made them uncomfortable. (We subsequently were able to meet with one of these girls. Her description of the touching was as part of the sacramental sign. It was clear that she felt uncomfortable. It was not clear that Father had in fact touched her with some sexual intent.)

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Father Peri spoke with Father Erasto. He vehemently denied any misconduct. Because of the request for confidentiality, Father Peri was not able to give him any specific instances or names.

Bishop Steiner, Raul Velazquez and I met with Father Erasto on two occasions. On the first occasion he again denied all allegations. He also said he felt the investigation was unfair because he was not told who was accusing him or what the specific instances were. We recommended that he see Father Gustavo of the Missionaries of the Holy Spirit to seek his advice and that he contact an attorney to represent him. We told him that we would find the names of some attorneys he might contact. We scheduled a meeting with him at the Priests Retreat. At that meeting he had not yet contacted his attorney so we rescheduled a meeting with him on Tuesday, June 17.

CJL:gg

REDACTED

ARCHDIOCESE
OF PORTLAND
IN OREGON

Vicar for Clergy

June 4, 1997

To Whom It May Concern:

Father Erasto Guzman Chavez is paid by the Archdiocese of Portland. He currently receives a salary of $1,281.83 a month. In addition he receives a food allowance of $478.40 a month and a housing allowance of $104 a month. He is provided with a house to live in. He is enrolled in the Archdiocesan Blue Cross/Blue Shield Health Insurance and the American Health Prescription Drug Program.

Sincerely yours,

Reverend Charles J. Lienert
Vicar for Clergy

CJL:gg

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[redacted]
Chavez, Rev. Erasto Guzman
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ARCHDIOCESE OF PORTLAND IN OREGON
2838 E BURNSIDE ST
PORTLAND OR 97214-1895

Notice Type: Approval Notice
Section: Special Immigrant-Religious Worker, Sec.101(a)(27)(C)(ii)
Consulate: CIUDAD JUAREZ

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This completes all INS action on this petition. If you have any questions about visa issuance, please contact the NVC directly. The telephone number to NVC is **(603) 334-0700.**

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THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

RECEIPT NUMBER	CASE TYPE
LIN-98-008-50499	1824 APPLICATION FOR ACTION ON AN APPROVED APPLICATION OR PET.
RECEIPT DATE October 10, 1997 / **PRIORITY DATE** June 16, 1997	**PETITIONER** ARCHDIOCESE OF PORTLAND
NOTICE DATE January 15, 1998 / **PAGE** 1 of 1	**BENEFICIARY** GUZMAN CHAVEZ, ERASTO

ARCHDIOCESE OF PORTLAND
C/O REV CHARLES J LIENERT
2838 E BURNSIDE ST
PORTLAND OR 97214-1895

Notice Type: Approval Notice
Class: SD1
Consulate: CIUDAD JUAREZ

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ATTORNEYS AT LAW

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THOMAS V. DULCICH

June 9, 1997

HAND DELIVERED
PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Honorable Michael D. Schrunk
District Attorney
Multnomah County
600 Multnomah County Courthouse
1021 SW 4th Avenue
Portland, Oregon 97204

Re: Father Erasto Guzman-Chavez
Our File No. 00500-108978

Dear Mr. Schrunk:

This law firm represents the interests of the Roman Catholic Archbishop of Portland in Oregon and successors, a corporation sole, also known as the Archdiocese of Portland in Oregon. Certain conduct has come to the attention of my client which it may have a duty to report, and I am reporting to you on its behalf pursuant to ORS 419B.015. The Archdiocese of Portland Pastoral Center is located in Multnomah County, and therefore, pursuant to ORS 419B.015, the report is being made to you, as the chief law enforcement officer within the county where the person making the report is located.

The conduct in question involves the Reverend Erasto Francisco Guzman-Chavez, a priest of the Diocese of Huajuapan DeLeon in Oaxaca, Mexico. Father Chavez has been assigned by his bishop to the Archdiocese of Portland since September 1993, where he has worked as the co-administrator of St. Alexander Parish in Cornelius, Oregon.

The Archdiocese initially received information from three women associated with the religious order known as the Sisters of St. Mary of Oregon or St. Alexander's Church:

REDACTED stated that several years before, Father Chavez touched her on the back, hugged her and, on one occasion, kissed her in a way that made her feel uncomfortable.

REDACTED indicated that Father Chavez hugged her in a way that made her feel uncomfortable, once touching the side of her

breast, and that at one time he placed her 15 year old sister on his lap and held her. related that, while she was working with young adults at St. Alexander's two girls asked her why Father Erasto had touched their breasts during the sacrament of reconciliation. One of these individuals, described a very brief touching, of her outer clothing in the breast area, which may have been a sacramental gesture with which she was unfamiliar. These women may be reached through at the Sisters of St. Mary's in Oregon, 4440 S.W. 148th in Beaverton, telephone number (503) 644-9181.

The Archdiocese has not been able to confirm hearsay reports of similar touching or inappropriate behavior with other girls now living outside the state of Oregon.

The above allegations have been imparted to Father Chavez, who has categorically denied them. The Archdiocese has told Father that, regardless of whether it is legally permissible, the type of conduct reported is inappropriate and unacceptable. The Archdiocese is in the process of informing Father Chavez's bishop in Mexico of the situation and of taking appropriate action with respect to Father Chavez's duties here in Oregon. Father Chavez has been informed by the Archdiocese that this report is being made.

Serious questions exist about whether the conduct involving Father Chavez of which the Archdiocese of Portland is aware actually constitutes the type of activity which is required to be reported under ORS 419B.015. However, Archdiocesan officials want to be sure that they comply with all civil law requirements. Hence, preferring to err on the side of caution, the Archdiocese has instructed me to send this report to you.

Please call me with any questions you have or if you need additional information.

Very truly yours,

Thomas V. Dulcich

TVD:lgb

REDACTED

bcc: The Reverend Charles Leinert
Vicar for Clergy Personnel
Archdiocese of Portland in Oregon

Ms. Paulette A. Furness
Director of Business Affairs
Archdiocese of Portland in Oregon

The Most Reverend Kenneth Steiner
Acting Administrator
Archdiocese of Portland in Oregon

10/3/97

Fr. Erasto call today and said that he need that Archdiocese have to ask and fill the form I 824 and send to the ~~consulate~~ the ~~Mexican~~ National Visas Center. and ask them in which cousulate and when they will send the aceptation. for advise to fr. Erasto.

thanks!
Raul Velazquez

PORTLAND
PACIFIC-LLOYD PROPERTIES

Fr. Erasto. Guzman

011.52 953 20636

Left message for Susan to call.

We completed I-824 + sent to Lincoln. Waiting to have response with Consulate INS sends the paperwork - + Erasto presents family, Cardinal (explains this to Quiroz

ARCHDIOCESE OF PORTLAND IN OREGON

CHECK REQUEST FORM

Please print or type

PAYABLE TO: Immigration Counseling Service

ADDRESS 434 N.W. 6th Avenue, Suite 202

Portland, OR 97209

DATE CHECK NEEDED 10/3/97

AMOUNT $ 30.00

PURPOSE Filing of immigration forms for Fr. Erasto Guzman

ACCOUNTING DISTRIBUTION

EXP. ACCT. #	DEPT. #	FUND	AMOUNT
6420	215	1	30.00

ROUTING/COPY INSTRUCTIONS:

DATE 9/29/97 REQUESTED BY: [signature] (Authorized Signature)

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SUSAN ROSSITER
IMMIGRATION COUNSELING SERVICE
434 NW 6TH AVE SUITE 202
PORTLAND OR 97209

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Georgiana - Here's your copy of what I sent fr. Erasto.
Sue Rossiter
SEP 12 1997

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IMMIGRATION COUNSELING SERVICE
434 NW 6th Avenue, Suite 202
Portland, Oregon 97209
Telephone: (503) 221-1689
FAX: (503) 221-3063

SEP 29 1997

September 25, 1997

Rev. Charles Lienert
Archdiocese of Portland
2838 E Burnside St
Portland OR 97214-1895

Dear Father Lienert,

Enclosed please find copies of the Form I-824 for Father Erasto which I sent today to the Immigration and Naturalization Service in Lincoln, Nebraska. Also enclosed is a letter I wrote to Father Erasto, care of his sister, in which I explained that I have filed the form for him and that his papers will then be sent to the National Visa Center so that he can arrange his visa in Mexico.

Also enclosed are copies of the Forms I-3760 and I-485 which we discussed when we met yesterday. I enjoyed talking with you and your staff, and please don't hesitate to call if there's anything more I can do for you.

Sincerely,

Sue Rossiter

Sue Rossiter, Attorney at Law

25 de septeiembre

Padre Erasto Guzman Chavez
C/o Antonio Guzman y Isabelle Sanchez
Cuautemoc #54
Colonia Estado de Mexico
Netzahualcojotl Mexico

Estimado Padre Erasto,

Espero que esta carta le encuentre bien, gozando las condiciones de optima salud al lado de sus amistades y familiares en Mexico. Despues de este breve saludo, paso a las siguientes cosas.

Envi por correo hoy el formulario "I-824" a la oficina de inmigracion en Nebraska, la oficina apropriada. Despues de recibir este formulario, la oficina de inmigracion enviara una copia del aviso de aprobacion de su visa al "National Visa Center." Despues del National Visa Center" recibira la peticion, podria arreglar una visa suya en Mexico.

Cualquier problema o pregunta, favor de llamarme, telefono (503) 221-1689.

Muy atentamente,

Susan Rossiter, Licenciada

U.S. Department of Justice
Immigration and Naturalization Service

OMB No. 1115-0176
Application for Action on an Approved Application or Petition

START HERE - Please Type or Print (Instructions on back)

Part 1. Information about the person that filed the original application or petition.

(Individuals should use the top name line; Organizations should use the second line)

Family Name	Given Name	Middle Initial

Company or Organization Name: Archdiocese of Portland

Address - Attn: Rev. Charles J. Lienert

Street Number and Name: 2838 E. Burnside St — Apt. #:

City: Portland — State or Province: OR

Country: USA — ZIP/Postal Code: 97214-1895

Date of Birth (Month/Day/Year): — Country of Birth:

Social Security #: — IRS Tax #: 93-0114100 — A #:

Part 2. Application Type (check one).

a. ☐ I am applying for a duplicate approval notice

b. ☒ I am requesting that a new U.S. Consulate or Port of Entry be notified of the previous approval of a petition. Please notify the U.S. Consulate or Port of Entry at: National Visa Center

c. ☐ I am requesting that a U.S. Consulate be notified that my status has been adjusted to permanent resident. Please notify the U.S. Consulate at: _____

Part 3. Processing Information.

Type of Petition/ Application (Form #): I-360 — Filing Receipt #: LIN-97-[illegible]

Date of Filing (Month/Day/Year): July 2, 1997 — Date Approved (Month/Day/Year): July 23 1997

If Petition is filed for another person - give the following about the person you filed for:

Family Name	Given Name	Middle Initial
GUZMAN Chavez	Erasto	

Date of Birth (Month/Day/Year): 7-26-51 — Country of Birth: Mexico

A#

Part 4. Signature

Read the information on penalties in the instructions before completing this section.

I certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that this application, and the evidence submitted with it, is all true and correct. I authorize the release of any information from my records which the Immigration and Naturalization Service needs to determine eligibility for the benefit I am seeking.

Signature: Chas J Lienert — Date: 9/25/97

Print Your Name: Charles J. Lienert

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Resubmitted

Reloc Sent

Reloc Rec'd

☐ Applicant Interviewed

☐ Duplicate Notice Sent
☐ American Consulate Notified at (Location): _____
☐ Application Denied

Action Block

To Be Completed by Attorney or Representative, if any

☒ Fill in box if G-28 is attached to represent the applicant

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ATTY State License #: [illegible]

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Part 5. Signature of Person preparing form if other than above. *(Sign Below)*

I declare that I prepared this application at the request of the above person and it is based on information of which I have knowledge.

Signature	Print Your Name	Date
Susan Rossiter	Susan Rossiter	9-24-97

Firm Name and address: IMMIGRATION COUNSELING SERVICE
434 N.W. 6th Ave. Suite 202
Portland, OR 97209

Purpose Of This Form.

This form is used to request further action on a previously approved petition or application

Who May File.

If you filed an application or petition which has been approved, use this form during the validity of the approved application or petition to:

- request a duplicate approval notice;
- request that another consulate be notified of the approval of the petition; or
- request that a U.S. Consulate be notified that your status has been adjusted to permanent resident, so your spouse and children can apply for immigrant visas.

You may want to enclose a copy of the original approval notice. It may speed processing.

General Filing Instructions.

Please answer all questions by typing or clearly printing in black ink. Indicate that an item is not applicable with "N/A". If an answer is "none," write "none". If you need extra space to answer any item, attach a sheet of paper with your name and your alien registration number (A #), if any, and indicate the number of the item to which the answer refers. Your application must be properly signed and filed with the correct fee. If you are under 14 years of age, your parent or guardian may sign the application.

Where To File.

File this application with the office which approved the original application or petition.

Fee.

The fee for this application is $30.00. The fee must be submitted in the exact amount. It cannot be refunded. DO NOT MAIL CASH.

All checks and money orders must be drawn on a bank or other institution located in the United States and must be payable in United States currency. The check or money order should be made payable to the Immigration and Naturalization Service, except that:

- If you live in Guam, and are filing this application in Guam, make your check or money order payable to the "Treasurer, Guam."
- If you live in the Virgin Islands, and are filing this application in the Virgin Islands, make your check or money order payable to the "Commissioner of Finance of the Virgin Islands."

Checks are accepted subject to collection. An uncollected check will render the application and any document issued invalid. A charge of $5.00 will be imposed if a check in payment of a fee is not honored by the bank on which it is drawn.

Processing Information.

Acceptance. Any application that is not signed or is not accompanied by the correct fee will be rejected with a notice that the application is deficient. You may correct the deficiency and resubmit the application. However, an application is not considered properly filed until accepted by the Service.

Initial processing. Once the application has been accepted, it will be checked for completeness. If you do not completely fill out the form, you will not establish a basis for eligibility, and we may deny your application.

Requests for more information or interview. We may request more information or evidence or we may request that you appear at an INS office for an interview. We may also request that you submit the originals of any copy. We will return these originals when they are no longer required.

Decision. You will be notified in writing of the decision on your application.

Penalties.

If you knowingly and willfully falsify or conceal a material fact or submit a false document with this request, we will deny the benefit you are filing for, and may deny any other immigration benefit. In addition, you will face severe penalties provided by law, and may be subject to criminal prosecution.

Privacy Act Notice.

We ask for the information on this form, and associated evidence, to determine if you have established eligibility for the immigration benefit you are filing for. Our legal right to ask for this information is in 8 USC 1103. We may provide this information to other government agencies. Failure to provide this information, and any requested evidence, may delay a final decision or result in denial of your request.

Paperwork Reduction Act Notice.

We try to create forms and instructions that are accurate, can be easily understood, and which impose the least possible burden on you to provide us with information. Often this is difficult because some immigration laws are very complex. The estimated average time to complete and file this application is as follows: (1) 5 minutes to learn about the law and form; (2) 5 minutes to complete the form; and (3) 15 minutes to assemble and file the application; for a total estimated average of 25 minutes per application. If you have comments regarding the accuracy of this estimate, or suggestions for making this form simpler, you can write to both the Immigration and Naturalization Service, 425 I Street, N.W., Room 5304, Washington, D.C. 20536; and the Office of Management and Budget, Paperwork Reduction Project, OMB No. 1115-0176, Washington, D.C. 20503.

PD 0493

NOTICE OF ENTRY OF APPEARANCE AS ATTORNEY OR REPRESENTATIVE

In re:	DATE September 24, 1997
ANY AND ALL IMMIGRATION MATTERS	FILE No.

I hereby enter my appearance as attorney for (or representative of), and at the request of, the following named person(s):

NAME: Archdiocese of Portland — ☒ Petitioner ☐ Beneficiary ☐ Applicant

ADDRESS (Apt. No.) (Number & Street) (City) (State) (ZIP Code)

NAME: Erasto GUZMAN Chavez — ☐ Petitioner ☒ Beneficiary ☐ Applicant

ADDRESS (Apt. No.) (Number & Street) (City) (State) (ZIP Code): c/o St. Alexander Parish, 183 N. 11th St, Cornelius, OR 97113

Check Applicable Item(s) below:

☒ 1. I am an attorney and a member in good standing of the bar of the Supreme Court of the United States or of the highest court of the following State, territory, insular possession, or District of Columbia

Supreme Court of the State of Oregon (Name of Court) and am not under a court or administrative agency order suspending, enjoining, restraining, disbarring, or otherwise restricting me in practicing law.

☐ 2. I am an accredited representative of the following named religious, charitable, social service, or similar organization established in the United States and which is so recognized by the Board:

☐ 3. I am associated with _____ the attorney of record who previously filed a notice of appearance in this case and my appearance is at his request. *(If you check this item, also check item 1 or 2 whichever is appropriate.)*

☐ 4. Others (Explain fully.)

SIGNATURE	COMPLETE ADDRESS
Susan Rossiter	*IMMIGRATION COUNSELING SERVICE* *434 NW 6th Avenue, Suite 202* *Portland, Oregon 97209*
NAME (Type or Print) SUSAN ROSSITER	TELEPHONE NUMBER *503-221-1689*

PURSUANT TO THE PRIVACY ACT OF 1974, I HEREBY CONSENT TO THE DISCLOSURE TO THE FOLLOWING NAMED ATTORNEY OR REPRESENTATIVE OF ANY RECORD PERTAINING TO ME WHICH APPEARS IN ANY IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION SERVICE SYSTEM OF RECORDS: SUSAN ROSSITER (Name of Attorney or Representative)

THE ABOVE CONSENT TO DISCLOSE IS IN CONNECTION WITH THE FOLLOWING MATTER:
ANY AND ALL IMMIGRATION MATTERS

NAME OF PERSON CONSENTING	SIGNATURE OF PERSON CONSENTING	DATE
	Chas J Leonard	9-25-97

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(Rev. 10-25-79)N

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
Immigration and Naturalization Service

TO: Georgiana | DATE: 8/21 | TIME: 4 00 AM PM

FROM: Fr. Evarto | AREA CODE NO. 648-3832

OF: Yolanda Maldonado | EXT.

MESSAGE

-Please send original of form to:
VICTORIA SANCHEZ CASTILLO
Tepeji 336
Colonia Granjas del Sur
CP 72470
Puebla, Puebla

SIGNED

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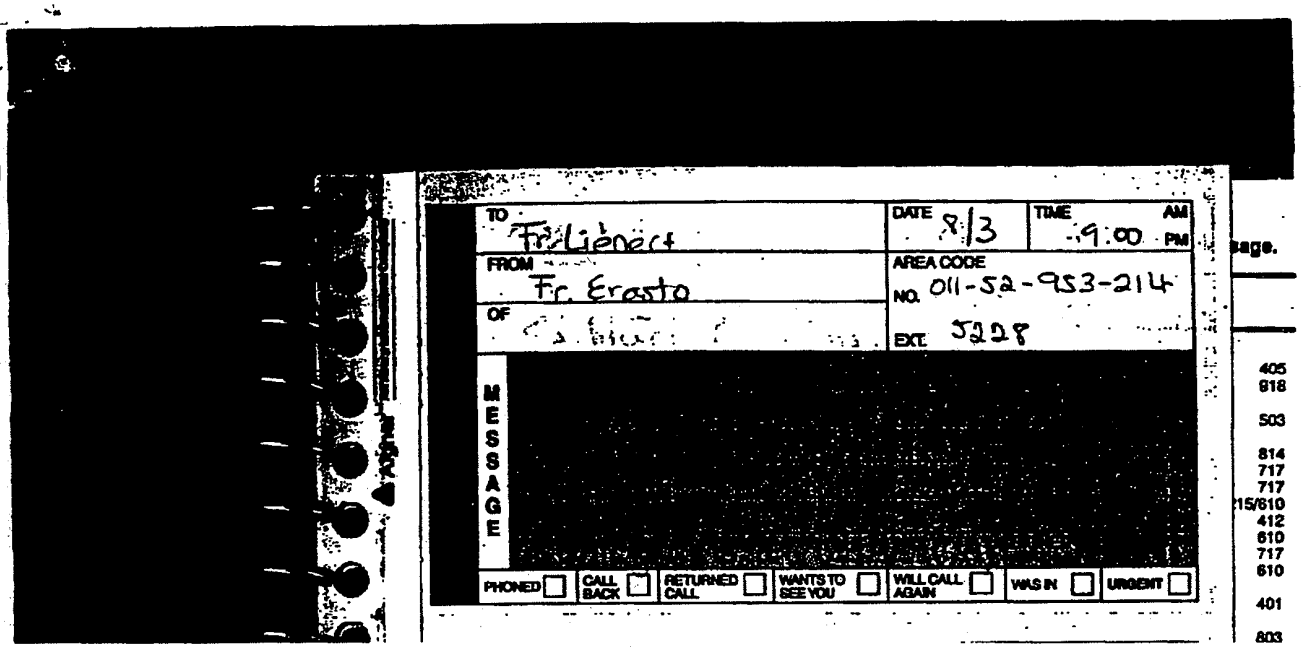
Susan Boseiter at Immigration Counseling will send the I-797 form to Victoria Sanchez Castillo.

8/27/97



TO Fr. Liénert
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FROM Fr. Erasto
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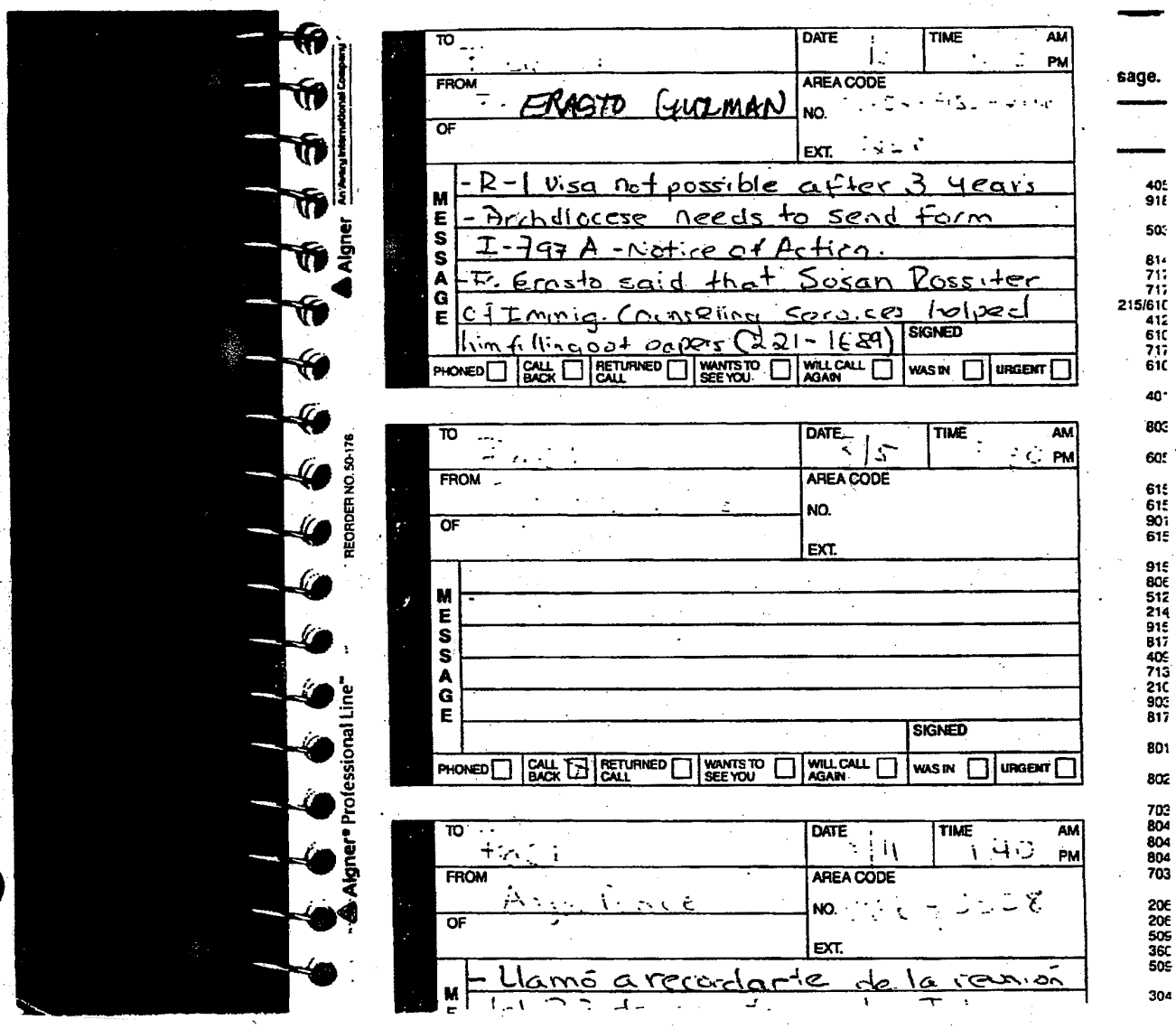

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PD 0496

ARCHDIOCESE
OF PORTLAND
IN OREGON

Vicar for Clergy

June 4, 1997

U.S. Department of Justice
Immigration and Naturalization Service

Gentlepersons:

This is to inform you that Father Erasto Guzman Chavez, a Catholic priest of the Diocese of Huajuapan de Leon, Oaxaca, Mexico, has been serving as a priest in the Archdiocese of Portland since August of 1993. Since his arrival he has been assigned to St. Alexander in Cornelius first as a parochial vicar and then as an administrator. This assignment will continue indefinitely.

The Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Portland is part of the Catholic Church in the United States and is exempt from taxation under Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code. It is listed in the Official Catholic Directory. See the enclosed memorandum.

It is our hope that Father Erasto Guzman Chavez will be granted permanent residence status as a religious worker.

Sincerely yours,

Reverend Charles J. Lienert
Vicar for Clergy

CJL:gg

Enclosure

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IMMIGRATION COUNSELING SERVICE
Vicariate San Salvador
434 NW 6th Avenue, Suite 202
Portland, Oregon 97209
Telephone: (503) 221-1689
Facsimile: (503) 221-3063

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TO: Hispanic Ministries — Fax: (503)234-2545

Attn: Alejandro Aguilera, Director — Voice: (503)234-5334

FROM: Margaret Godfrey

RE: Fr. Evaristo

Número de salida
562669681 02

Servicio de Inmigración y Naturalización
I-94
Registro de salida

U.S. IMMIGRATION
200 DAL #92
AUG 14 1995
ADMITTED
UNTIL Aug 14 95

1. Apellido: Santos Mauricio Jimenez
2. Primer nombre: Evaristo — 3. Fecha de nac (día/mes/año): 26 Oct 1976
12. Nacionalidad: MEXICANA

Both Fr. Ernesto & Fr. Evaristo are alright until 08-14-95.

Sometime in July 1995 we will file for an extension, so that they can remain until 08-14-96.

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Vicar For Clergy

ARCHDIOCESE OF PORTLAND IN OREGON

July 2, 1994

U.S. Consulate General
Mexico City, Mexico

Attention: Non-immigrant Visa Section

Re: Reverend Erasto Guzman Chavez
Request for an R-non-immigrant
visa for a Roman Catholic Priest

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4) Please also be advised that Father Erasto Guzman Chavez will receive the care and maintenance of the Roman Catholic Church. Upon completion of his temporary service to the Portland Archdiocese, transportation will be provided for his return to his Diocese in Mexico.

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5) Father Erasto Guzman Chavez is fully qualified for the "R" non-immigrant religious functionary visa status. The Portland Archdiocese has also received the consent of the Bishop of Huajuapan, who agreed to have Father Erasto Guzman Chavez serve in a parish of the Portland Archdiocese for a period of three years. Father has been serving with an R-1 VISA during this last year and will continue to work for two years.

We would appreciate the expeditious handling of this request.

Sincerely yours,

Reverend Charles J. Lienert
Vicar for Clergy

WJL:gg

Enclosure

ARCHDIOCESE OF PORTLAND IN OREGON

Pastoral Center

JUN 23 1994

MEMORANDUM

TO Fr. Charles Lienert
Department of Clergy

June 23, 1994

FROM Alejandro Aguilera-Titus aat
Hispanic Ministries

RE Immigration Letters

As Fr. Erasto Guzman and Evaristo Santamaria are going to Mexico for vacation, it would be necessary for them to have a letter from the Archdiocese that will facilitate them to get a re-entry visa and permit of stay in the United States, and work with us the coming year.

This letter should be written to the American Consulate in Mexico, and should be carried personally by Fr. Erasto and Fr. Evaristo. Your office has a sample of this letter.

Also, following up on our last meeting with Fr. Erasto and Fr. Evaristo, they recommended a priest from the Huajuapan Diocese, who is currently studying in Spain, to come and work with us during the summer. The name of this priest is Fr. Juan Flavio Santiago Hernandez. His address and phone numbers are the following:

Calle Asuncion XI 2-1
Pamplona, Espana 31011
Phone: 3448-252-550
Fax: 3834-482-22009

If we decide to invite Fr. Santiago Hernandez to come for the summer (from July to September, 1994), it will be necessary to write an invitation letter and a similar immigration letter for the American Consulate in Spain.

If you have any questions, please let me know.

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ARCHDIOCESE OF PORTLAND IN OREGON

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FAX NUMBER (503) 234-2545

DATE: August 2, 1993

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SEND TO: Most Rev. Felipe Padilla Cardona

FAX NUMBER: 011-52-953-22652

LOCATION: Bishop of Huajuapan de Leon, Apartado 43, Madero 8, 69000 Huajuapan de Leon, Oaxaca, MEXICO

FROM: NAME Carol O'Brien OFFICE Executive Assistant to Archbishop William J. Levada

COMMENTS: Your Excellency, the original fax of this letter dated June 2 was sent to the U.S. Consulate General in Mexico City on July 1.

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ARCHDIOCESE OF PORTLAND IN OREGON

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FAX NUMBER: 011-52-5-511-9980

LOCATION: Mexico City, Mexico

FROM: NAME Archbishop Wm. J. Levada OFFICE Archbishop of Portland in Oregon

COMMENTS:

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ARCHDIOCESE OF PORTLAND IN OREGON

Office of the Archbishop

June 2, 1993

U.S. Consulate General
Mexico City, Mexico

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We would appreciate the expeditious handling of this request, as Father Chavez's services are urgently needed.

Sincerely yours,

+William J. Levada

Most Reverend William J. Levada
Archbishop of Portland

WJL:gg

Enclosure

August 2, 1993

should have been July 1
cc

Carol:

I spoke with Bishop Cardona. I told him that the Archdiocese sent a letter by fax with the correct name of the priest to the American Consulate in Mexico City on ~~June 2~~.

It seems that they did not know that the letter had already been faxed to the American Consulate. Now the priests are going to travel to Mexico City to apply for the visa.

Bishop Cardona thought it would be helpful if the Archdiocese could send him a copy of the letter to the Consulate by fax, so the priests would have a document they can refer to when applying for the visa.

His fax No. is 011-52-953-22652.

If you need something else, please tell me.

Alexandra

Alexandra, I have just had a phone call from Bishop Felipe Cardona, Bishop of Huajuapan de Leon, Mexico.

Georgiana tells me you have helped her in this matter before, so, since you speak Spanish, I am asking you to call the Bishop back to explain to him what has apparently happened.

He called to say that the letter addressed to the U.S. Consulate General in Mexico City in support of the application for visa for Fr. Erasto Guzman Chavez gave the priest's name incorrectly, as Fr. Ernesto Guzman Chavez. He said the letter must be for Fr. Erasto Guzman Chavez, to agree with the name on this priest's passport.

Checking with Georgiana, and looking at the file for Fr. Erasto Guzman Chavez, I find that

1) Ab. Levada delivered the original letter to Bp. Cardona in early June, in Los Angeles. This ltr. had the incorrect name, Fr. Ernesto.

2) Bp. Cardona then wrote, in the ltr. rec'd here June 8th, to tell Ab. Levada that the name was incorrect, and should be Erasto.

3) A ltr. dated June 2, 1993, bearing the correct name, Erasto, was faxed to the U.S. Consulate General on July 1st. It was also mailed on July 1st to the U.S. Consulate General, Mexico City, Mexico, Attention: Non-immigrant Visa Section.

It would appear to me, therefore, that the office of the U.S. Consulate General is only now processing the original application, and perhaps has not united to the original application the ltr. we sent with the correct name, Erasto.

Please explain to the Bishop, and ask him if we should fax the correct letter again to the U.S. Consulate General in Mexico City. We will be happy to do this. (The original fax went through when sent from here, so should have been rec'd.)

Bp. Cardona told me his phone no. is 953-20597. The complete number would be 011-52-953-20597.

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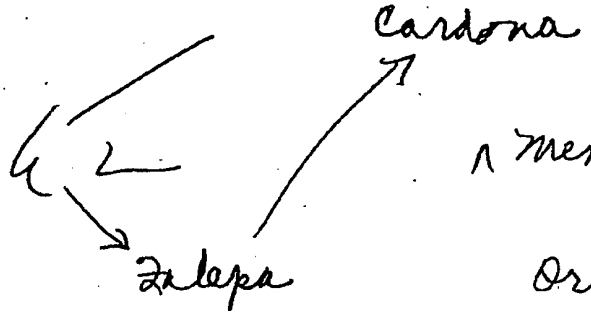

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FROM: NAME Archbishop Wm. J. Levada OFFICE Archbishop of Portland in Oregon

COMMENTS:

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Office of the Archbishop

June 2, 1993

U.S. Consulate General
Mexico City, Mexico

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We would appreciate the expeditious handling of this request, as Father Chavez's services are urgently needed.

Sincerely yours,

+William J. Levada

Most Reverend William J. Levada
Archbishop of Portland

WJL:gg

Enclosure

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ARCHDIOCESE OF PORTLAND IN OREGON

Vicar For Clergy

June 15, 1993

U. S. Consulate General
Attention: Non-Immigrant VISA Section
P.O. Box 3087
Laredo, TX 78044-3087

Dear Consul:

Enclosed please find original documents for two Roman Catholic priests, Father Ernesto Guzman Chavez and Father Evaristo Santamaria Jimenez, who are applying for R-non-immigrant visas to minister in the Archdiocese of Portland in Oregon. They will be visiting the Immigration Office and will have copies in their possession of these same documents. We are submitting these original documents in the event that they would be more appropriate than copies.

Thank you.

Sincerely yours,

Reverend Charles J. Lienert
Vicar for Clergy

CJL:gg

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Office of the Archbishop

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June 2, 1993

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U.S. Consulate General
Mexico City, Mexico

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Sincerely yours,

Most Reverend William J. Levada
Archbishop of Portland

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Enclosure

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(Express Mail)

Church of the Resurrection
3324 Opal Street
Los Angeles, California 90023
(213) 268-1141

Al Sr. Obpo William
J. Levada:

El señor Obispo
Padilla, suplica
se ommienda el
nombre de un
padre: es
Erasto Guzmán
chaves

no Ernesto !
tambien que
firme las cartas.
Gracias
Vea al reverso

Favor de enviarla,
cuanto antes a
Sr. Copo Felipe Padilla C.
Madero 8
69000 Huajuapan
de León, Oax
Mex.

ARCHDIOCESE OF PORTLAND IN OREGON

Office of the Archbishop

June 2, 1993

U.S. Consulate General
Mexico City, Mexico

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We would appreciate the expeditious handling of this request, as Father Chavez's services are urgently needed.

Sincerely yours,

Most Reverend William J. Levada
Archbishop of Portland

WJL:gg

Enclosure

ARCHDIOCESE OF PORTLAND IN OREGON

Office of the Archbishop

June 2, 1993

U.S. Consulate General
Mexico City, Mexico

Attention: Non-immigrant Visa Section

Re: Reverend Evaristo Santamaria Jimenez
Request for an R-non-immigrant
visa for a Roman Catholic Priest

Dear Consul:

This letter is written in support of the application for an R-non-immigrant visa for Father Evaristo Santamaria Jimenez of the Diocese of Huajuapan in Mexico.

Eligibility as a Religious Functionary pursuant to 8CFR 101(a)(15)(R)

1) Father Evaristo Santamaria Jimenez, born in Oaxaca, Mexico, on October 26, 1956, has been a practicing Roman Catholic all his life.

2) He was ordained to the priesthood for the Diocese of Huajuapan on September 14, 1985.

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Sincerely yours,

Most Reverend William J. Levada
Archbishop of Portland

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Enclosure

UNITED STATES CATHOLIC CONFERENCE
Office of the General Counsel
3211 4th Street N.E. Washington, DC 20017-1194 (202)541-3300 FAX (202)541-3337 TELEX 7400424

June 26, 1992

FOR THE INFORMATION OF: The Most Reverend Archbishops and Bishops, Superiors of Religious Orders and Institutions, Diocesan Attorneys and Fiscal Managers, and State Conference Directors

SUBJECT: 1992 Group Ruling

FROM: Mark E. Chopko, General Counsel
(Staff: Deirdre Halloran, Associate General Counsel)

Enclosed is a copy of the group ruling issued on June 1, 1992 by the Internal Revenue Service ("IRS"), with respect to the federal tax status of organizations listed in the 1992 Edition of the Official Catholic Directory ("OCD"). As explained in greater detail below, this ruling is important for establishing:

(1) the exemption of such organizations from:

  (a) federal income tax;
  (b) federal unemployment tax (but see ¶3 of "Explanation" below); and

(2) the deductibility, for federal income, gift and estate tax purposes, of contributions to such organizations.

The 1992 group ruling is the latest in a series that began with the original determination of March 25, 1946. In the 1946 document, the Treasury Department affirmed, in a single group ruling, the exemption from federal income tax of all Catholic institutions listed in the OCD for that year. Each year since 1946, in a separate letter, the 1946 ruling has been extended to

the institutions listed in the current OCD. The language of these rulings has remained relatively unchanged, except to reflect intervening modifications in the Internal Revenue Code ("Code"). The 1992 group ruling is consistent with the 1991 ruling. It incorporates by reference the conditions set forth in the 1983 ruling that USCC must meet to maintain the group exemption.

The 1992 OCD reflects certain changes that have been made in USCC's administration of the group exemption. Certain Catholic organizations with independent IRS exemption determination letters are listed in the 1992 OCD with an asterisk (*), which is explained at page A-42, and which indicates that the organization has an independent IRS exemption determination and is not covered by the group ruling.

The annual group rulings clarify important tax consequences for Catholic institutions listed in the OCD, and should be retained for ready reference. Rulings from earlier years are important to establish the tax consequences of transactions that occurred during those years.

EXPLANATION

1. Exemption from Federal Income Tax. The latest ruling reaffirms the exemption from federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Code of "the agencies and instrumentalities and educational, charitable, and religious institutions operated, supervised or controlled by or in connection with the Roman Catholic Church in the United States, its territories or possessions appearing in the Official Catholic Directory for 1992" (with the exception of organizations noted with an asterisk).

2. Federal Excise Taxes. Inclusion in the group ruling has no effect on an organization's liability for federal excise taxes. Exemption from these taxes is very limited. Please refer to your attorney any questions you may have about excise taxes.

3. State/Local Taxes. Inclusion in the group ruling has no effect on an organization's liability for state or local income, sales or property taxes. Typically, separate exemptions must be obtained from the appropriate state or local tax authorities in order to qualify for any applicable exemptions. Please refer to your attorney any questions you may have about state or local tax exemptions.

4. Deductibility of Contributions. The group ruling assures donors that contributions to the institutions listed in the 1992 OCD and covered by the group ruling are deductible for federal income, gift, and estate tax purposes.

5. Unemployment Tax. The group ruling establishes exemption from federal unemployment tax only. Individual states may impose an unemployment tax on organizations included in the group ruling, even though they are exempt from the federal tax. Please refer to your attorney any questions you may have about state unemployment tax.

6. Social Security Tax. All section 501(c)(3) organizations, including churches, are required to pay taxes under the Federal Insurance Contributions Act (FICA) for each employee who is paid $100 or more in a calendar year.[1/] Services performed by diocesan priests in the exercise of their ministry are not considered "employment" for FICA (social security) purposes,[2/] and FICA should not be withheld from their salaries.

7. Form 990. All organizations included in the OCD must file Form 990, Return of Organization Exempt from Income Tax, unless they are eligible for a mandatory or discretionary exception. There is no exemption from the Form 990 filing requirement merely because an organization is listed in the OCD. Organizations required to file must do so by the 15th day of the fifth month after the close of their fiscal year. Among the organizations not required to file Form 990 under section 6033 of the Code are: churches; integrated auxiliaries of churches[3/]; the exclusively religious activities of religious orders; schools below college level affiliated with a church or operated by a religious order; church-controlled organizations

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1/ Section 3121(w) of the Code permits certain church-related organizations to make an irrevocable election to avoid payment of FICA taxes, but only if such organizations are opposed for religious reasons to payment of social security taxes.

2/ I.R.C. §3121(b)(8)(A).

3/ For taxable years 1970 through 1975, organizations listed in the OCD were excused from filing Form 990 because the Treasury Department had not clarified the meaning of the term "integrated auxiliaries of a church." In January 1977, the Treasury Department promulgated final regulations defining that term. Under those regulations, organizations that are considered integrated auxiliaries include men's and women's organizations that are a part of the church structure, seminaries, mission societies, or youth groups. The following organizations are not considered integrated auxiliaries: hospitals, colleges and universities, orphanages that have a separate identity from a church, and homes for the aged.

that finance, fund or manage church assets, or maintain church retirement insurance programs, and organizations controlled by religious orders that finance, fund or manage assets used for exclusively religious purposes;[4] and organizations with gross receipts normally not in excess of $25,000.[5] In addition, IRS has excused certain internally-supported church affiliates from the Form 990 filing requirement.[6] Organizations that are required to file must make available for public inspection upon request a copy of the Form 990 and all required schedules and attachments (other than the list of contributors) during regular business hours at the organization's principal office and at any regional or district office with 3 or more employees. The Form 990 for a particular year must be made available for three years beginning with the due date of the return.

8. Revenue Procedure 75-50. Rev. Proc. 75-50[7] sets forth guidelines and recordkeeping requirements regarding racially nondiscriminatory policies that must be complied with by private schools, including church-related schools, to establish and maintain exempt status under section 501(c)(3) of the Code. Under Rev. Proc. 75-50 private schools are required to file an annual certification of racial nondiscrimination with the IRS. For private schools not required to file Form 990, the annual certification must be filed on Form 5578, Annual Certification of Racial Nondiscrimination for a Private School Exempt from Federal Income Tax. Form 5578 must be filed by the 15th day of the fifth month following the close of the fiscal year.

The requirements of Rev. Proc. 75-50 remain in effect and must be complied with by all schools listed in the OCD. This may be done individually or by the diocese for all diocesan schools. School officials should insure that the requirements of Rev. Proc. 75-50 are met since failure to do so could jeopardize the exempt status of the school and, in the case of a school operated by a church, the exempt status of the church itself.

9. Lobbying Activities. Organizations included in the group ruling may lobby for changes in the law, provided such lobbying is not more than an insubstantial part of their total activities.

4/ Notice 84-2, 1984-1 C.B. 331.

5/ Announcement 82-88, 1982-25 I.R.B. 23.

6/ Rev. Proc. 86-23, 1986-1 C.B. 564.

7/ 1975-2 C.B. 587.

Attempts to influence legislation both directly and through grassroots lobbying are affected by this restriction. There is no distinction between lobbying activity that is related to an organization's exempt purposes and lobbying that is not. There is no definitive answer regarding what percentage constitutes "insubstantial" lobbying. Please refer to your attorney any questions you may have about permissible lobbying activities.

10. Political Activities. Section 501(c)(3) of the Code states that organizations exempt under its provisions must not participate or intervene in any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office. Violation of the prohibition against political activity can jeopardize the organization's tax-exempt status. Additional sanctions for violation of the political activity restrictions were imposed by the Revenue Act of 1987. In addition to revoking exempt status, IRS may impose excise taxes on an exempt organization and its managers for violation of the political activity restriction. Where there has been a flagrant violation, IRS has authority to seek an injunction against the exempt organization and immediate assessment of taxes due. If you have any questions in this regard, please refer them to your attorney. (See OGC Memo dated June 26, 1992).

11. Private Foundation Status. Another important ruling is the Treasury determination letter issued to USCC on December 11, 1970. It affirms the non-private foundation status of organizations listed in the OCD. Unlike the group ruling, this letter is not reissued because its applicability is not limited to a particular edition of the OCD. Since organizations listed in the OCD are not private foundations, they are exempt from the restrictions imposed on such organizations by the Tax Reform Act of 1969. The December 11, 1970 determination letter also assures private foundations that they may make tax-free grants and terminal distributions to organizations listed in the OCD and included in the group ruling.

12. Distribution of OCD. Copies of the OCD have been made available by USCC to the IRS National Office and the IRS district offices to facilitate administration of the group ruling.

13. Group Exemption Number. The group exemption number assigned to USCC is 928 or 0928. The number must be included on each Form 990, Form 990-T, and Form 5578 required to be filed by any organization or institution exempt under the group ruling. The group exemption number should not be used on Form SS-4, Request for Employer Identification Number, because IRS may include USCC as part of the organization's name when it enters the organization in its computer.

14. **Responsibilities under Group Ruling**. The 1992 group ruling incorporates by reference procedures outlined in the 1983 ruling that are the responsibility of the USCC Office of General Counsel. However, diocesan officials who compile OCD information for transmittal to P.J. Kenedy & Sons are responsible for the accuracy of such information.

The USCC Office of General Counsel will be pleased to respond to inquiries about the group ruling, and to make available on request single copies of the ruling or this memorandum.

Enclosure

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Mr. Mark E. Chopko
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Dear Mr. Chopko:

In a ruling dated March 25, 1946, we held that the agencies and instrumentalities and all educational, charitable and religious institutions operated, supervised, or controlled by or in connection with the Roman Catholic Church in the United States, its territories or possessions appearing in the Official Catholic Directory for 1946, are entitled to exemption from federal income tax under the provisions of section 101(6) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1939, which corresponds to section 501(c)(3) of the 1986 Code. This ruling has been updated annually to cover the activities added to or deleted from the Directory.

The Official Catholic Directory for 1992 shows the names or addresses of all agencies and instrumentalities and all educational, charitable, and religious institutions operated by the Roman Catholic Church in the United States, its territories and possessions in existence at the time the Directory was published. It is understood that each of these is a non-profit organization, that no part of the net earnings thereof inures to the benefit of any individual, that no substantial part of their activities is for promotion of legislation, and that none are private foundations under section 509(a) of the Code.

Based on all information submitted, we conclude that the agencies and instrumentalities and educational, charitable, and religious institutions operated, supervised or controlled by or in connection with the Roman Catholic Church in the United States, its territories or possessions appearing in the Official Catholic Directory for 1992 are exempt from federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Code.

Donors may deduct contributions to the agencies, instrumentalities and institutions referred to above, as provided by section 170 of the Code. Bequests, legacies, devises, transfers, or gifts to them or for their use are deductible for federal estate and gift tax purposes under sections 2055, 2106, and 2522 of the Code.

Mr. Mark E. Chopko

Beginning January 1, 1984, unless specifically excepted, you and your subordinates must pay tax under the Federal Insurance Contributions Act (Social Security taxes) for each employee who is paid $100 or more in a calendar year. You and your subordinates are not liable for tax under the Federal Unemployment Tax Act (FUTA).

Next year, within 90 days before the close of your annual accounting period, or by May 31, the date established by our letter of April 28, 1975, which gave an extension of time to file the information, please send one copy of the Official Catholic Directory of 1993 for each Internal Revenue District in which one or more of your subordinates are located, with four additional copies to this office.

The conditions concerning the retention of your group exemption as set forth in our previous determination letter of August 17, 1983 remain in full force and effect.

Sincerely yours,

H. J. Hightower

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District Director

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TO: Fr. Linehan's Office Fax:(503)234-2545

Attn: Georgiana Voice:( )

FROM: Margaret G.

RE: Oaxacan clergy

Dear Georgiana: The address of the Consulate is as follows:

U.S. Embassy & Consulate General
Paseo de la Reforma 305
Mexico 5, D.F.

U.S. Mailing Address:

U.S. Consulate General (make it attention Non-Immigrant Visa Section)
P.O. Box 3087
Laredo, TX 78044-3087

You need not have the name of anyone, just address them as "Dear Consul".

I hope this helps. I am sure everything will turn out just fine.

Margaret

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ARCHDIOCESE OF PORTLAND IN OREGON

Office of Vocations

MEMORANDUM

TO: Archbishop Levada

FROM: Father Charles Lienert

SUBJECT: Arrangements for Father Ernesto Guzman Chavez and Father Evaristo Santamaria Jimenez

DATE: June 2, 1993

I have attached the letters to the U.S. Consulate General in Mexico for Fathers Ernesto Guzman Chavez and Evaristo Santamaria Jimenez. I will draft a letter for your signature if I know whether you will be able to meet in California.

CJL:gg

Archbishop will hand deliver copies of VISA letters to Bp. Padilla on 6/5 when he is in L.A.

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Rev. Paul Peri
Archdiocese of Portland
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May 8, 1997

Dear Fr. Peri,

It is with deep regret that I write this letter. This past Sunday evening I met, as I have often done, with two young adults who are currently discerning a religious vocation. They are both parishioners at St. Matthew Parish in Hillsboro. During the course of the conversation the young woman confided that Erasto Guzman Chavez has molested young girls in the parish. She was very surprised, as was I, to hear immediately from the young man present that Erasto Guzman had molested two of his sisters four years ago. I am aware that you have heard from both of these people and trust that you have heard the details of their experiences.

I have been in contact with and am aware that an investigation is taking place. It is very upsetting to me to know that there was knowledge of this type of activity four years ago. I was told on Sunday night that an incident was reported to
The same young man who mentioned that also mentioned that had rubbed his back in an uncomfortable way years ago. Behavior that I too have seen on another occasion. At the time I felt uncomfortable standing there, but I am unaware of how the young man felt. It concerns me now more than ever in light of the comment that this man made Sunday night.

We as a community need to call into question our own responsibility in what has happened since Erasto Guzman's inappropriate behavior was first reported. It is realistic to assume that there are more victims out there that have not come forward. It is my hope that there be some type of effort to visit the families that he visited on a regular basis. If I can be of any assistance please let me know.

I also took the initiative of informing As a former employee of the parish I felt I had the responsibility of notifying him. If you need to clarify any part of my letter please don't hesitate to contact me at St. Patrick Parish: (541)475-0539; or at my home: May God give all those involved the courage to seek the truth and the strength to respond with love.

Sincerely,

cc. Rev. Charles Lienert

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Dated: May 13, 1997

Letter to Father Peri from
(translated by

To whom it may concern:

I am a father of a family with three adolescent girls, when Father Erasto Francisco Guzman Chavez arrived at our community. After some time, we invited him to our house for dinner on various occasions. But, after a short time of coming over to our house he began to become very affectionate with the girls, such that at various times he tried to kiss them in the house. But, they did not permit him to do this due to shyness that is appropriate to their age. But, he slipped his hands down their back to a lower area (the buttocks). This made them feel shameful and fearful, and they told this to their mother who scolded them for trying to offend him (the priest) with their insinuations. After these accusations, we tried to observe him without asserting suspicion to that which we found out apart from him having them sit on his lap and directing affectionate words to them, such that we were not convinced to stop inviting him over. We did stop attending church a bit. The girls continued to reminding me of those affectionate remarks for some time, to which we never gave them any opinion in order not to arouse any suspicion.

That's all. Thank you for your attention.

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Dated: May 12, 1997

Letter to Father Peri from
(translated by

Father Peri:

I accuse Father Erasto Francisco Guzman Chavez of sexual harassment and of taking advantage of me in the following manner:

When I belonged to the youth group of St. Alexanders, he asked me if I would attend a meeting in his office in order to plan the prayer evenings for Monday nights. I was going to type the songs and biblical quotes. When I arrived at the indicated time, no one else was there. I put some paper in the typewriter. No one else attended. He began to massage my shoulders and afterwards caressed my neck in a suggestive manner. I told him that he was making me late and I left.

When I went to a prayer group some days later, he called me aside and hugged me strongly and would not get off of me despite the fact that I asked him to let me go.

On one occasion, my parents invited him to dinner at our house. When I went up to my room he followed me, running up the stairs, he grabbed me by the arm and pulled me inside closing the door and gave me a kiss on the lips.

I stopped attending the youth group, barely went to Mass, and I didn't want to say why.

Sometime later, after a prayer evening in the Church at Hillsboro where I went with my friend, he tried to meet with me. My friend began to talk with other people, and then he asked me if I was afraid of him. He said: Why do you avoid me? What are you afraid of? Are you afraid you'll become pregnant?

After this I didn't want to go to church at all. I didn't visit with my friends. I thought that priests were free from temptations. At times I thought his teasing games were innocent and all of this was my imagination at work. Afterwards, I thought that it was my fault because he was looking for me among my friends. I didn't believe Father Erasto was capable of sexual harassment. I was mistaken.

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Dear father:

I am 23 years old. Last November 1996. when we were Practicing For the Christmas Pastorela in Corneliuo, father Erasto came in and gave me a hug. I was uncomfortable because he Pressed too hard against my breasts.

Later, when we were eating, he first Commented on the clothes I was wearing (my skirt was short) and then motioned as if he would spank me, He did not touch me. His facial expression made me uncomfortable I thought he was going to touch me. Since then I have tried to keep my distance from him.

Sincerely

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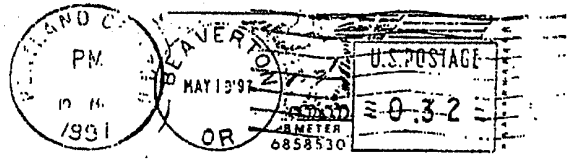

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Here are the letters from my father and sister. I am very sorry for the delay. Call me if you need any additional information. Thank you for your help.

Thanks

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Sr. Pbro. Don Paul René

(Presente)

05/12/97

Pbro. Paul Peri,

Yo acuso al P. Erasto Francisco Guzmán Chávez de acoso sexual y de tomar ventajas sobre mi persona de la siguiente manera.-

Cuando pertenecía yo al grupo de Jóvenes de San Alejandro, él me pidió que asistiera a una reunión en su oficina para planificar los programas de las noches de oración programados para los Lunes por la noche. Yo iba a escribir a máquina los cantos y citas bíblicas. Cuando llegué a la hora señalada, no había nadie más. Me puse a pasar a máquina unos papeles. más asistió. El comenzó a masajear mis hombros y después a acariciarme el cuello de una manera insinuante. Le dije que se me hacía tarde y me marché.

Cuando fuí a un grupo de oración unos días después, el me llamó hacia un costado y me abrazó fuerte y no me soltaba a pesar de que yo le decía que me dejara ir.

En una ocasión mis papás lo invitaron a cenar a la casa. Cuando yo subí a mi cuarto, el me siguió corriendo por las escaleras, me tomó del brazo y me jaló hacia adentro cerrando la puerta y me dió un beso en los labios.

Dejé de asistir a las del grupo juvenil, casi no iba a misa, no quería decir por qué.

Mas adelante después de una noche de oración en la Iglesia de Hillsboro que fuí con un amigo, él procuró entrevistarse conmigo. Mi amigo se puso a hablar con otras personas y entonces

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él me preguntó que si le tenía miedo a él. Dijo: ¿Porqué me rehuyes? ¿A qué tienes miedo? ¿Temes quedar embarazada? pregunt

Después de esto ya no quise asistir a la Iglesia. Dejé de frecuentar a mis amigos. Yo creía que los Sacerdotes eran libres de tentaciones. A veces pensaba que sus juegos de cosquillas eran inocentes y que todo era obra de mi imaginación Después pensé que era mi culpa por la que él me buscaba entre mis amigos. No creía que el P. Ernesto fuera capaz de acoso sexual. Me equivoqué.

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05/12/97

Mr. Rbro. Paul Perez.

La presente corresponde

Soy una padre de familia, y dentro de mi familia hay 3 niñas adolecentes, cuando el Hno. Ernesto Francisco Guzmán Crapez Rbro. llegó a esta comunidad, al poco tiempo le hicimos algunas invitaciones a nuestro hogar para compartir con él nuestros alimentos, pero al poco tiempo de estar asistiendo a la casa comenzó a ser muy cariñoso con las niñas, pues algunas veces trató de (besarlas) en la cara y ellas no lo permitieron por timidez propia de su edad, pero sí les (desliso) las manos por la espalda llegando asta las partes bajas, (las azotaron) las niñas lo (le'ó) mucha vergüenza y miedo de platicar a la mamá la (cual) las (reprendió) por estar tratando de "ofenderlo" con sus insinuaciones, después de éstas acusaciones tratamos de observarlo sin dar a malicia a lo que descubrimos que aparte de sentarselas en sus piernas les daba dichas caricias, por lo que ya no nos convino seguirlo invitando y asta de la Iglesia nos retiramos un poco. Las niñas siguieron acordandose de dichas caricias

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que nosotros nunca les dimos
opinion alguna para no
despertar ninguna clase de
sospechas en el Estado, gracias por su
atencion.

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Give my daughter my permison to say what happen when she went to confess hereself.

Thank you,

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