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**NOT FOR PUBLICATION**

Dear Sir

**William Van Gordon and Edo Shonin**

We act for the Buddhist monks William Van Gordon and Edo Shonin and write in connection with an article entitled "*A mother's grief: 'The cult guru who turned my son into a zombie'*" that was published in the Daily Mail on 25 May 2007 and which is also published on the website [www.preciousmetal.wordpress.com](http://www.preciousmetal.wordpress.com) which we believe is owned by you. The precise link to the article is as follows:

<http://preciousmetal.wordpress.com/2007/05/29/the-cult-guru-who-turned-my-son-into-a-zombie-2/>

The article contains a number of false and highly defamatory allegations of both of our clients and has caused considerable damage to their reputations. We write to give you formal notice that we have issued High Court proceedings for defamation on behalf of both of our clients against the publishers of the Daily Mail and ask you to remove the article from your website as a matter of real urgency. The article has been removed from the Daily Mail's own website.

On the basis that the article complained of is removed from your website within 7 days of this letter our clients will take no further action against you. However, if the article remains on your website after 7 days our clients reserve their right to take action against your site and to seek an injunction, damages and legal costs from you.

Please confirm receipt of this letter.

Yours faithfully

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