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Holy See Press Office Communiqué: third hearing in the trial for misappropriation of funds of the Bambino Gesù Foundation

Today, Tuesday 19 September at 9.20, the third hearing began in the criminal trial of Giuseppe Profiti and Massimo Spina, charged with misappropriation of funds from the Bambino Gesù Foundation.

The panel of judges (Professor Paolo Papanti-Pelletier, President; Professor Venerando Marano, Judge; and Professor Carlo Bonzano, Judge) was present, as was the adjunct Promoter of Justice, Professor Roberto Zanotti (Professor Gian Piero Milano was absent); the defendants were both present: Giuseppe Profiti, defended by the attorney Antonello Blasi, and Massimo Spina, defended by the court-appointed attorney Alfredo Ottaviano.

The following witnesses were present: Marco Bargellini, Paolo Mennini, Paolo Cipriani, and Massimo Tulli. Gianantonio Bandera was absent for reasons of ill health.

The hearing, which ended at 15.30, was entirely dedicated to the questioning of the defendant Giuseppe Profiti by the President, the panel of judges, and the adjunct Promoter of Justice, and then by the defence attorneys.

The next hearing is scheduled to take place on Thursday 21 September at 14.15.
