



Mother Teresa of Calcutta holds a child as she visits the Islamic Home that was shelled in West Beirut. (NC Photo).

'Didn't Expect A Saint to Be Efficient'

Beirut, Lebanon (NC) — Red Cross officials praised Mother Teresa of Calcutta for her help Aug. 14 in evacuating 37 retarded and handicapped children from a bomb-damaged hospital in Beirut.

"What stunned everyone was her energy and efficiency," said one Red Cross official who helped in the rescue operation. "She saw the problem, fell to her knees and prayed for a few seconds and then she was rattling off a list of supplies she needed — diapers, plastic pants, chamber pots. We didn't expect a saint to be efficient."

John de Salis, head of the International Red Cross delegation in Lebanon, said that Mother Teresa was "the answer to a prayer."

Mother Teresa who arrived in Beirut Aug. 11 from Rome after meeting with Pope John Paul II, was visiting the Spring School in East Beirut, run by the Sisters of Charity.

"She asked what our most serious problem was," De Salis said. "We told her, 'you must come, see these children.' She came, she saw them and said, 'I'll take them.'"

Of her new charges, Mother Teresa said, "All we can do is to give them tender loving care. They are in God's hands."

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A RING ON THE FINGER IS WORTH TWO ON THE PHONE

Vatican Bank Head Denies Any Guilt In Securities Case

Vatican City (NC) — U.S.-born Archbishop Paul C. Marcinkus, president of the Vatican bank, has categorically denied any wrongdoing in a 1973 securities counterfeiting scandal and promised that the facts in a current controversy involving the Vatican and the now liquidated Banco Ambrosiano will eventually be made clear.

In a telephone conversation with NC News Aug. 13, the 60-year-old archbishop confirmed comments made earlier to a Wall Street Journal reporter but declined to talk further about the 1973 case or about the Banco Ambrosiano situation that is still under investigation.

Shortly after the archbishop gave the interview, the Vatican denied a report in the Rome daily, Il Messaggero, that it had been removed from his post as papal trip organizer and bodyguard.

Noting that Archbishop Marcinkus would accompany Pope John Paul II on his next foreign trip to Spain Oct. 12-20, the Vatican communique said he had not been removed from "any post" in the Vatican.

Archbishop Marcinkus described as "absolutely fantastic" the allegations that he or the Vatican bank was involved in a scheme nine years ago by organized crime figures to borrow money on counterfeit stocks and bonds of U.S. corporations.

He confirmed that he was interviewed at the Vatican in early 1973 by William Aronwald, then head of the New York office of the U.S. Justice Department's Organized Crime Strike Force, in relation to the investigation. But he said he had never heard of any of the names of those involved in the case.

Aronwald, who entered private practice in New York after his government post, said recently that none of the allegations implicating the Vatican bank was ever substantiated.

The Justice Department eventually led to eight federal and 18 New York State indictments — no Vatican official was ever charged.

The archbishop, a native of Cicero, Ill., who has headed the bank since 1971, declined to discuss specifics of the



ABP. MARCINKUS

relationship between the Vatican bank and the Banco Ambrosiano, which was liquidated by the Italian government Aug. 6. The Vatican bank owned 1.58 percent of the Banco Ambrosiano.

Italian magistrate Pier Luigi dell'Osso, who is investigating the Banco Ambrosiano for possible fraud regarding \$1.4 billion in

dubious loans, issued judicial communique advising Archbishop Marcinkus and two other officials of the Vatican bank that they are under investigation.

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