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## Luke Gormally quote is back

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A reader commented that the link I provided in my article about conservative replies to the Pope's condom comments did not contain the quote I excerpted. The original story by Sandro Magister did contain the quote from Mr. Gormally, but Mr. Magister must have amended his article at some point after I posted the link.

He has now posted the entire email sent to him by Mr. Gormally which you can read here.

I especially like the sentence about the Pope lacking competence as a moral theologian. Hmmmm. If Benedict XVI attains that competence, do you think he might get a teaching post at Ave Maria University?

There is one other aspect to all this. Mr. Gormally is a member of the Pontifical Academy for Life. During the later years of Pope John Paul II, there were some pernicious influences surrounding papal appointments that resulted in some very sketchy, and one-sided appointments, to such academies and councils. One of the things Pope Benedict and Cardinal Bertone should undertake is to bring in some new blood.

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