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Information on the trial for dissemination of reserved information and documents

Vatican City, 11 April 2016 – Today at 10.30 a.m. a new hearing began in the ongoing trial for the dissemination of reserved information and documents in Vatican City State Tribunal, according to information provided by the director of the Holy See Press Office, Fr. Federico Lombardi, S.J. It was attended by the members of the Tribunal (Professors Giuseppe Dalla Torre, Piero Antonio Bonnet, Paolo Papanti-Pelletier and Venerando Marano), the Promoter of Justice (Professors Gian Pietro Milano and Roberto Zannotti), and the defendants Ángel Lucio Vallejo Balda, Francesca Immacolata Chaouqui, Nicola Maio, Gianluigi Nuzzi, with their respective legal representatives Emanuela Bellardini, Laura Sgrò, Rita Claudia Baffioni and Roberto Palombi. The defendant Emiliano Fittipaldi was absent, but was represented by his lawyer Lucia Teresa Musso.

The hearing was dedicated fully to the interrogation of the defendant Nicola Maio by the President, the Promoter of Justice, his lawyer and then the counsels for the defence of the other defendants. Finally, the report of the examination was read and approved. The hearing ended at approximately 1.20 p.m.

The next hearing will take place on Wednesday, April at 10.30 a.m.