Case against Vatican Radio dismissed

A judge in Rome threw out a case against three Vatican Radio officials accused of polluting the air with electromagnetic waves. The judge said the radio officials couldn't be prosecuted because they were immune under the 1929 treaty between Italy and the Holy See that established the Vatican as an independent city-state. Italian prosecutors alleged that excessive electromagnetic emissions by Vatican Radio had damaged the health of about 100,000 people living

near the transmitters in a suburb of Rome. The Vatican denied that there were any health effects.

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