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Monsignor W.A. Purdy,
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(Your Ref. ProtNo.2432/77)

Dear Bill,

Thank you for your letter of 9th July about the talks next year on women priests. Also I have just seen Christopher Hill on his return from Rome.

About your letter, I note that we agree on all points except the date for the meeting. The later date you suggest, February 27th to March 1st, 1978, would be acceptable but I wonder now if we should move it further so that the dates come within the university vacation for Easter. The best date then might be Monday, 3rd, to Wednesday, 5th April, 1978. What do you think?

About our people who might participate in the talks: Christopher and I should have some names we could discuss with you at the ARCIC meeting in Chichester at the end of August.

Now another matter: For the past two years we have had the Informal Talks in Rome, and last November we decided the 1977 Talks should be on 20th and 21st October. I suggest that in fact for 1977 we might reduce this event to a talk between the Secretariatus to review the position and possibilities in the light of the Common Declaration by the Pope and the Archbishop of Canterbury, of matters arising from that visit, of matters concerning ARCIC and its future, and concerning things about the forthcoming talks on women priests referred to above. On our side there could then be Michael Moore or Christopher Hill from CPR and myself, and on the Roman side members of the Secretariat for Unity. It would be good to give this meeting a clear day. If this programme is acceptable to you, would you prefer it to be on October 20th or 21st? *

With all good wishes,

Yours ever,

J.H.

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* You cd perhaps directoid this with the bee visit, but would one be date for the Anglican Consultative Council in Rome?

c.c. Fr. Pierre Duprey
✓ The Reverend Christopher Hill

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Discuss

L. Hill