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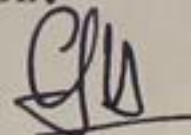
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Note to the Archbishop of Canterbury

The Ordination of Women

Pope Paul VI's letter to you is clearly important. I note particularly the opening sentence of the last paragraph: "Obstacles do not destroy mutual commitment to a search for reconciliation". May I ask that both Bishop Howe and the Board for Mission and Unity should have a copy of this letter too.

No?
Yes?
There is the further question as to whether or not this correspondence with the Pope should at some stage be made public. I doubt whether this is either desirable or necessary yet, but I feel the question must be faced at some stage. Should I discuss this matter with Bishop Howe? Perhaps Trinidad would be the right time to release this correspondence in the context of the ACC discussion of the question.



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