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The Reverend Christopher Hill, Palace Court, 222 Lambeth Road, LONDON, S.E.1.

My dear Christopher,

Versailles Consultation

Many thanks for the Confidential letter of 29th March which Sylvia sent on your behalf, and the enclosed letter (23rd March) from Bill Purdy.

I shall be interested to see what comes from Bishop Torrella, but from the Anglican point of view there is no question about the Versailles Report being made public. It has been announced in ANGLICAN INFORMATION No.18, last November, (1767/2) and also in the "Preparatory Information" for the Lambeth Conference (page 57), which has just come from the printers. I enclose a copy. Copies go this week to all members of the Conference.

As the Report (as agreed) comprises only the advice of the members, it will be a pity if Vatican adds notes of its own.

I have no problem about the paper being called a "Report": that is what we have called it in the announcements referred to.

From our point of view it ought to be printed. Any other course would be unfortunate - and cause comment from both Anglican sides.

Yours ever,

John .

JH/PB