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AGREED TEXTS FOR INCLUSION WITHIN BISHOP HOWE'S LETTER TO
PRIMATES ON THE ORDINATION OF WOMEN CONSULTATION

This Anglican circulation of the Joint Report of the Consultation held last February/March is made with the knowledge of the Vatican Secretariat for Promoting Christian Unity, with whom we have been in close association throughout.

The Secretariat for Promoting Christian Unity concurs in Fr. Yves Congar's interpretation of the Report (as noted in the Introduction). The Anglican intention also is that the document be read as a single whole, in the light of the Terms of Reference given to the Consultation:

To what extent and in what ways churches with women priests and churches without women priests can be reconciled in sacramental fellowship.

Footnote to be appended to Fr. Yves Congar's name on the
draft Introduction to the Report

Fr. Yves Congar, O.P. was unfortunately unwell during the final sessions of the Consultation. He has informed the Secretariat for Promoting Christian Unity of his agreement with the Joint Report which he helped to draft, emphasising that paragraph 6 is to be read in the light of paragraphs 2 and 3, and understanding this to be the general mind of the Roman Catholic participants.

Given to Bishop Howe 9/6/78