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Suggested Annotations in response to criticisms



Para. 1

after "common inheritance": cf. Malta Report, para. 3.

Para. 3 pre Komonie

Koinonia is not used as synonymous with community; its nature is described in the subsequent sentences. (Cf. I John 1: 3). We use 'Church' to describe what we agree Christ intended the Church to be without entering into the question of historical identification.

Para. 4

After 'all ages': cf. para.16, where this is developed further.

Para. 5

After 'name of Christ': e.g. Acts 6: 1-6; Acts 13: 1-3; Acts 14: 23; I Tim 4:14; I Tim 5:22; IITim 1:6; II Tim 2:2. Within the New Testament period further evidence for early Christian ministerial authorisation is provided by the first episte of Clement ch. 40-44 (c. 95 A.D.).

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Para. 6 Apper unioused in the Church?

In the west, this universality did not survive/divisions of the sixteenth century, but both of our communions have retained the three-fold ministry.

Para. 7 apro 'role'

It is not of course intended to suggest that this role is exclusive to the ordainedminister, even though he has a distinctive responsibility in this respect.

Para. 11

Last sentence cf. John XX, 21-3.

Para. 13

(Tell Commission that we assume 'memorial' would be dealt with by Windsor group).

Penultimate sentence: note after 'Spirit': cf. Eph. 4, 11-13.

For a resolution of supposed divergent interpretations of this paragraph see article in the Ampleforth Journal Autumn 1974.

Para 16

At the end:this is further developed in the Venice Statement on Authority in the Church.