

THE LAMBETH CONFERENCE 1978

RESOLUTION 33

The Anglican/Roman Catholic International Commission

The Conference:

1. welcomes the work of the Anglican/Roman Catholic International Commission which was set up jointly by the Lambeth Conference of 1968 and by the Vatican Secretariat for Promoting Christian Unity;
2. recognises in the Three Agreed Statements of this Commission¹ a solid achievement, one in which we can recognise the faith of our Church, and hopes that they will provide a basis for sacramental sharing between our two Communion^s if and when the finished Statements are approved by the respective authorities of our Communion^s;
3. invites the ARCIC to provide further explication of the Agreed Statements in consideration of responses received by them;
4. commends to the appropriate authorities in each Communion further consideration of the implications of the Agreed Statements in the light of the report of the Joint Preparatory Commission (the Malta Report received by the Lambeth Conference 1968 - p.134 of its Report), with a view to bringing about a closer sharing between our two Communion^s in life, worship and mission;
5. asks the Secretary General of the Anglican Consultative Council to bring this resolution to the attention of the various synods of the Anglican Communion for discussion and action;
6. asks that in any continuing Commission, the Church of the South and the East be adequately represented.

1 Eucharistic Doctrine (the Windsor Statement 1971), Ministry and Ordination (Canterbury, 1973), and Authority in the Church (Venice, 1976).