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1. Bishop Howe thought he would write to the Primates on AD/JED and the publication of the Moscow Statement so that there might be some response for Lambeth and A.C.G.A.
2. We discussed the final format of the ARCIC document. The three would probably be put together. This might be completed at Chichester this year or at a following meeting. Chichester would probably decide to add foot-notes where there had been difficulty but this need not mean alteration to the agreed text.
3. We again discussed Anglican procedures over the Agreed Statement. Bishop Howe would write to the Primates reminding them to report to the ACC on the acceptability of the ARCIC approach and content. He asked me to put together final thoughts on the procedures which he outlined in his letter to Primates (see separate letter).
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4. We discussed the future of ARCIC. If new blood were added after Chichester, the old team might meet for a final time to complete work on the three existing Statements. ARCIC 1978 might therefore be an enlarged meeting with the old and new together. ARCIC would discuss this and the Agenda in Chichester.
5. Bishop Howe and I noted that the Marriage Report had not been responded to very dramatically. I promised to send him an extract of the main recommendations and he would write to the Primates.
6. We discussed the Pope's birthday and an Archbishop of Canterbury letter. Michael's suggestion that this should be a working letter was readily accepted by Bishop Howe and we agreed that the evangelisation theme from the common declaration could profitably be taken up. I would draft one, and after sharing it with MI pass it on to Bishop Howe for comment. It could also be shared with Bill Purdy and Pierre Duprey at Chichester.
7. We discussed personnel for the ordination of women consultation. Possible people were John McQuarrie, Bishop Eric Kemp, Christian Howard, Daphne France, Desmond Tutu, John Mbiti, Bishop Barry Valentino, Fasholé Idre, Don Cowsey, John Gladwin and Robin Nixon. This list could be discussed with Bill Purdy in Chichester. A short list might be: Bishop Eric Kemp, Christian Howard, Bishop Valentino (Canada), an African theologian, Don Cowsey (Australia - evangelical). Staffing might be either Bishop Howe or myself as Secretary.

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