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Your Excellencies:

Greetings of peace in the Lord!

I am writing to clarify the June 7, 2007 letter of the Ernesto Maipid, Jr., Rouquel Ponte, Jose Tale and Jose Yamamoto of the Couples for Christ Council in which I was quoted.

Please know that I really do not know CFC that well. They just came to me once. That is why at the very beginning I agreed that Your Excellencies be the ones to sit with them and help resolve the division among them.

I remember that during our conversation I also told them that they should all pray because pain is always part of growth. Perhaps more graces will be given to CFC if they are able to bear the cross of one another with love and sacrifice. I also told them that they have constitution and by-laws to observe.

Finally, since Your Excellencies know CFC better and have been journeying with them especially during these times of testing, I support whatever recommendation you propose to them that will help heal the division and move towards renewal and growth.

One with you in the Lord's Prayer for unity in the Church, I remain

Fraternally yours,

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