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Dear Doctor Alderdice,

I received your letter, of 5th April, on my return from meetings in Rome. I thank you for writing.

I share your conviction that politicians alone cannot solve the problems which we face in Northern Ireland, and that the whole community must accept responsibility and make its proper contribution to their resolution.

I welcome your suggestion that the Churches should encourage, individually and perhaps also collectively, united prayer amongst their members to obtain God's guidance and blessing and help in the effort of politicians to, as someone has put it, "attempt the impossible so as to eliminate the intolerable". I assure you of my personal prayers for this intention and I shall ask for prayers throughout the Roman Catholic community.

With kind personal regards and good wishes,

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Yours sincerely,

Archbishop of Armagh

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