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To: The Council of the Ecclesiastical Province of Canada

From: Bishop Bruce Stavert, Bishop of Quebec

Re: Election of a Metropolitan

Dear Members of Council,

I need to inform the members of the Provincial Council that I have received from Archbishop Andrew Hutchison a letter of resignation as Archbishop of Montreal and as Metropolitan of the Ecclesiastical Province of Canada. The resignation is to take effect July 31, 2004 and when the members of the House of Bishops have accepted the resignation. This resignation, as you will know, is the result of Archbishop Hutchison's Election as Primate of the Anglican Church of Canada.

Canon II of the Canons of the Province of Canada says that "when the office of Metropolitan becomes vacant the diocesan bishop senior by consecration shall summon the Provincial Council to meet as an electoral college within six months of the vacancy occurring."

The next regular meeting of the Provincial Council is scheduled for September 23-26, 2004 in Gander, Newfoundland.

I therefore summon the Provincial Council to meet as an electoral college on Thursday, September 23, 2004 at St. Martin's Cathedral in Gander for the purpose of Electing a Metropolitan for the province, the election to be preceded by a celebration of the Holy Eucharist.

I have requested the Secretaries of the Provincial Synod to distribute this notice of summons with their distribution of information and agenda for the meeting of council.

Yours sincerely,

+ Pouce Deaver

+Bruce Stavert Bishop of Quebec

We, the people of the Diocese of Quebec, are called to shine with Christ's light in acts of praise and reconciling love to be bearers of the Good News, ministers of God's grace, and faithful stewards of God's Church and Kingdom.

Nous, les membres de la grande famille anglicane du Diocèse de Québec, sommes appelés à faire resplendir la lumière du Christ chaque fois que nous prions Dieu et que nous posons des gestes d'amour et de réconciliation. Nous sommes aussi appelés à répandre la Bonne Nouvelle du salut, à être des ministres de la grâce de Dieu et de bons intendants de l'Église de Dieu et de son Royaume.