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Archbishop Khajag Barsamian, Primate

January 19, 1995

The Reverend Father Sahag Kaishian,
Pastor
St. Gregory the Illuminator Armenian Church
110 Main Street
Haverhill, MA 01830

Dear Father Sahag:

We are in receipt of your letter of January 13 and the specific questions you raised relative to the addition of a Diocesan Delegate.

We shall attempt to clarify your inquiries:

- a) With regard to additional Diocesan Delegates: at your next scheduled election for delegates that we have noted will be in 1996, you will increase the number at that time and those elected in 1996 will serve for four (4) years in accordance with Bylaw Article 51.
- b) Bylaw Article 8 concerning "the right to vote at Parish Assemblies" and re-instatement of membership does not include the year in which your present Parish Assembly meets (in this case 1995) but the previous two years prior i.e. 1993 and 1994. By paying dues for these previous two years, a member will be eligible to fully participate in the current year Assembly.
- c) As reported to the Diocesan Council, the decision to increase the number of Parish Council members so voted by an Assembly cannot take effect until that decision has been approved by the Diocesan Council. It does not go into effect immediately. The increase will begin with next year's election.

We trust these answers will satisfy your questions in preparation for your annual Assembly.

With prayers,

Abp. K. Barsamian

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